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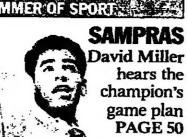
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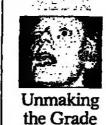


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CHIEF POLITICAL

TONY BLAIR is heading for a further confrontation with trade unions after signalling that a Labour government would not increase workers' rights.

Addressing German busi-nessmen in Bonn last night, the Labour leader heralded a radical shift in the party's employment policy by saying that unions and workers would not be guaranteed extra protection under Labour.

We need to rethink the whole of our philosophy in relation to the labour market." Mr Blair told the German employers' organisation, BDI. He said that he would support moves to boost competitiveness rather than increase regulation, and called for "an entirely new" economic approach - open markets and education and welfare reforms overtaken by Asia.

Mr Blair used the rest of his peech to give an assurance hat Labour would initiate a 'fresh start" in relations with the EU, in which Britzin would be "walking tall in Europe, not skulking on the sidelines".

A policy paper to be pub-lished later this week is expected to drop a commitment made by John Smith to introand part-time workers from the first day of employment. The Labour leadership is still negotiating with trade union

The paper, entitled Building prosperity — flexibility, efficiency and fairness at work, will cover Labour's revised position on trade union rights and recognition while ensuring minimum' Continued on page 2, col 7

Blair courted, page 14 Leading article, page 21

# Mrs Clinton accused of lies and cover-up SENATE Republicans yesterday released a massive report company they jointly owned. on the Whitewater affair that

Senators clash on Whitewater report

amounted to the most damning indictment of a First Lady in American history.
On issue after issue, the

Senate Whitewater committee's Republican majority accused Hillary Clinton of wrongdoing, directly chal-lenged her truthfulness, and said aides had perjured themselves to protect her.

They accused her of complicity in a thoroughly fraudulent Arkansas land deal in the mid-1980s; they insisted that she had ordered a top-level cover-up after Vincent Foster's suicide in 1993, and they named her as the person most likely to have hidden records of her legal work for the corrupt bank at the heart of

the Whitewater affair. But the White House and Democrats on the committee rejected the charges of a kangaroo court" and accused the Republicans of using sly innuendo in a despicable election-year witch-hunt.

In a dissenting report, the Democrats said that the 14month investigation had found no misconduct or abuse of power by the President or his wife. The Republicans, it said, had hammered evidence into the precast mould of their conclusions. "Every act is portrayed in its most sinister light, every failure of recollection is treated as though the standard for human experience is total recall."

But Alfonse d'Amato, the committee chairman, mocked Administration witnesses for

AN elderly and partly deaf

man emerged from the wreck-age of the bombed Arndale

Centre in Manchester yester-day after apparently sleeping through the terrorist explosion

that devastated the city centre.

block of flats within the com-

plex, had flu and had taken to his bed on Saturday morning. He spent three days in his

sickbed, sleeping and occa-

sionally waking to have some-

thing to eat while 80,000 people around him were evac-

nated. He had no idea that he

had survived a 1.5-tonne IRA

bomb that detonated almost

At 4pm yesterday, the police

believe, the man finally looked

out of his still intact window

on his doorstep.

The man, who lives in a



Clinton: "complicity in fraudulent land deal"

their endless memory lapses, changed stories and repudiation of their own notes and diaries. At a televised press conference, he hurled charges of perjury and obstruction at the White House, saying it had "misused its power, circumvented the limits of its authority and attempted to manipulate the truth".

The Republicans' 770-page report on a \$1.4 million inquiry that summoned 250 witnesses will now be forwarded Kenneth Starr, the Whitewater special prosecu-tor, who will decide whether to bring criminal charges against Mrs Clinton or any

Administration officials. The report itself split the Whitewater scandal into what it called the Arkansas, Wash-

ington and Foster phases.
The "Arkansas phase" dealt with the Clintons' conduct in the mid-1980s when James McDougal, owner of Little Rock's Madison Guaranty bank, was pumping funds into

and telephoned the housing

association that manages the

devastated property. He said:

"I think there has been an

The housing association

told the police and officers

telephoned the man and told

him to stay where he was until they arrived. Officers reached

him within a few minutes and

Social services are to re-

house the man, who is in his

70s. He told the police that he had eaten well and asked the

officers for a newspaper. He

told the policeman who gave

him a paper: "I am sorry to

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cause you any bother."

escorted him from the flat.

Arndale resident slept

through bomb blast

By KATE ALDERSON

The report said that Governor Clinton, in an "apparent, if not actual, improper conflict of interests", gave Mr McDougal's failing bank reg-

ulatory advantages until collapsed at a cost to the taxpayer of \$60 million. It also accused Mrs Clinton. in her legal work for Madison. of "direct and substantial involvement" in a particularly

fraudulent property transac-tion known as Castle Grande. The Republicans contended that after Madison collapsed, the Clintons and their allies launched a massive cover-up that began in Arkansas, lasted throughout the 1992 presidential campaign, and continued in Washington in order "to hinder, impede and control investigations into Madison Guaranty and the Whitewater

real estate investment". They accused Mrs Clinton of destroying, perhaps illegalsome records of her work for Madison, and two of her partners - Vincent Foster and Webster Hubbell - of im-

properly removing others. The report's Washington phase said that after the Clintons reached the White House, senior Administration officials improperly obtained inside information on suppos-edly independent federal investigations into Madison and assed that information to the White House which then

sought to suppress them. The "Foster phase" con-Continued on page 2, col 1

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London — how d'you

fancy Greenwich?"

Millennium cash

The Millennium Exhibition to

celebrate 2000 will go ahead in

Greenwich. The Government

ended months of speculation

that the event might have to be

scrapped because of insuffi-

cient private sector cash

MILLE MAINT

Security scandal, page 17



# 4-1 triumph sees England through

BY JOHN GOODBODY AND ADRIAN LEE

ENGLAND swept into the quarter-finals of the European football championship last night with a consummate 4-1 victory over Holland at Wembley and now meet Spain on Saturday for a place in the last

Despite all their troubles of

also scoring the most goals in any match so far.

However, the single Dutch goal prevented Scotland qualifying for the next round. Scotland could only beat Switzerland I-0 at Villa Park with a goal from Ally McCoist and were eliminated on the number of goals scored. Holland now meet France, who won and Teddy Sheringham each scored twice as England out-played the Dutch for long spells of the easiest and most pleasing victory in Terry Venables's two-and-a-halfyear reign as England coach. Patrick Kluivert replied for Holland in the 78th minute.

England was that Paul Ince was booked for the second time in the competition and will miss the quarter-final.

Many of the 15,000 Dutch supporters, dressed in orange

The one jarring note for

shirts, shorts, boiler suits and policeman's helmets made of orange plastic, had spent the day happily drinking in London's West End.

There was also none of the trouble between rival fans that had scarred the last meeting between the two countries when England lost 2-0 in a World Cup qualifying match in 1993 and 1,100 English supporters were deported.

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#### their group, at Anfield on Saturday and the remaining quarter-finalists will be decidrecent weeks, England revived memories of their 1966 World Cup triumph by finishing top ed tonight. of their preliminary group and At Wembley, Alan Shearer Field sports backers infiltrate RSPCA to promote hunting

THOUSANDS of field sports ble status to exclude the new

enthusiasts have infiltrated the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in an attempt to halt the charity's 20-year campaign against fox and deer-hunting. Borrowing the tactics of its foes, the 88,000-member Brit-

ish Field Sports Society said yesterday that 3,000 supporters had joined Britain's oldest and most influential animal welfare pressure group in the past four months.

The RSPCA said it was alarmed by a dramatic increase in membership from the hunting lobby after years of stagnant recruitment. It said it was legally powerless .: Pages 2, 21 under the terms of its charitaentrants despite its anti-blood sports policy A similar strategy has been

used successfully in recent years by anti-hunting crusaders to infiltrate the National Trust and embarrass its leadership by winning support for resolutions calling for hunting to be banned on Trust land.

The RSPCA is vulnerable to such tactics because it has only 29,000 fee-paying members with voting rights; most of its annual income of £38 million comes from legacies and donations from more than 300,000 non-voting supporters.

The new entrants will have a first chance to flex their

By MICHAEL HORNSBY, COUNTRYSIDE CORRESPONDENT al general meeting at Church House in London on Saturday, when a motion reaffirming the society's opposition to hunting will be debated. However, only a few joined in time to acquire voting rights this

> The long-term aim is to influence RSPCA policy by electing to the charity's 25strong executive council people who are sympathetic to the role of field sports in conserving wildlife and the countryside.

The RSPCA has ordered branches to assess the infiltration. It concedes that at least 1,000 people have joined, but insists there will be no change in its anti-hunting stance.

The Times on the Internet http://www.the-times.co.uk



# Former chef cooks up £70m profit in two years

By Alasdair Murray

MICHAEL CANNON, formerly a Berni Inn chef, was yesterday toasting £70 million he made by selling the Magic Pub Company to Greene King, the East Anglian brewers, for nearly £200 million.

It was the second time in three years that Mr Cannon, 55, had achieved business success. In 1993 he netted £26 million by selling Devenish, his first pub company. After that he spent a year on "gardening leave" before deciding two years ago that he wanted a fresh challenge. He started his new company after buying about 300 run-down Chef

and Brewer pubs. He invested around £12 million in the

new company. Other directors took a 10 per cent holding and the City put up the rest of the money. The company set out to build up a series of highly individual chains. These included such now familiar names as the Rat and Parrot, Hungry

Horse and Pickled Newt. Phillip Snook, managing director of the company, said: When we bought the pubs they were in a fair state of decay. We wanted to create something slightly over the top, often painting them in outlandish colours to give a signal to customers that they had changed."

Mr Cannon had considered floating the chain on the stock market but decided to sell after receiving offers from five potential buyers. The pubs, attractively

sited in London and the South East, earned £13 million last year on a turnover of £83 million.

Mr Cannon first entered the pub business in 1975, investing £30,000 for a half share in the Naval Volunteer in Bristol. By 1993 his first company was also worth some £200 million.

The directors of the Magic Pub Company will stay on until control passes to Greene King in September. Mr Snook, who has worked with Mr Cannon in both his pub companies, said: "We haven't worked out exactly what we are going to do yet, but we certainly intend to get back into the leisure business."

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Cannon: decided he needed a new challenge

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# All the fun of the fair from those prepared to chance their arms

dip. Plunge your arm into this tub of sawdust between 3.15 and 3.30, and you may come up with everything — or nothing. It could be a trinket or a puzzle. It could be a child's Bible or a potent stinkbomb. Few of the Questions relate to the Premier's responsibilities. No sequential logic links them, no common thread save the politician's

perennial itch for attention. They get it while they can and how they can. Some seek

to help the Prime Minister, others to hurt. Some seek promotion, others are careless of career. Some hope to do good in the world, others only to amaze — or amuse.

Roger Berry (Lab, Kings-wood) amused. Did Mr Major realise, he asked, that when he said he had "had a bellyful of the Tory Party", he spoke for the nation? Tony Blair offered what Jan Morris has called the smile of an ageing collie. Major flashed his tee-hee grin. Plunging back into the saw-

dust we emerged with

of caddie. Ainsworth seeks office. Did the PM realise, he wondered, that "more and more people in Germany wish their economy was run like ours?" Everybody laughed. which was not the effect Mr Ainsworth intended.

PeterAinsworth (C. Surrey E) who looks like a superior kind

What next? Tony Blair asked a couple of sorrowful, grown-up questions about Sinn Fein, which was exactly the effect Mr Blair had

In three minutes we had



MATTHEW PARRIS POLITICAL SKETCH

moved from the state of the Conservative Party, to the state of the economy, to the future of Ireland. Now Ken Livingstone (Lab. Brent E) put in a late bid to boost the chances of the Communist candidate in the Russian presidential elections. Hold your breath, Moscow; hang on there in, Gennadi Zyuganov;

Ken's on his way! Mr Livingstone wanted Mr Major to stop Boris Yeltsin hogging the Russian State media. The Prime Minister did not under-

take to do this. Our lucky dip lady, Betty Boothroyd, called Andrew Welsh (SNP, Angus E) hoping us to discuss Monday night's Panorama with Mr Major. "

don't waste my time watching nonsense on Panorama." grinned the PM. Conversation stalled. Back to the tub.

Up popped Michael Brown (C. Brigg & Cleethorpes), anxious to convey to Mr Major the urgent desire of Cleethorpes for the miracle of closed-circuit television. Mr Brown was also (but secretly) anxious to cony to Cleethorpes the miracle of Mr Brown. The PM shared our wonder at the miracle of Mr Brown, but could make no promises about CCTV.

Next from the sawdust came

something earnest. Bob Lith-erland (Lab. Manchester Centrall speaks seldom at PM's Questions, but always sincere-

ly. He was worried about compensation for injury and damage after last weekend's explosion in Manchester. Major gave a detailed answer about who was, and who was not, covered, and how to apply to an insurance company.

lt was 3.29. The German economy, Major's bellyful of MPs, prospects for Sinn Fein in Ulster and CCTV in Cleethorpes. Russian elections. in-

NACHELLE CROWTHER

what final surprise did the tub

"Question 5, Sir Michael Neubert," called the Chair, Sir Michael (C Romford) offered an admiring obituary of Sir Fitzroy Maclean, the reputed model for James Bond. The PM concurred. MPs cheered.

Say what you like about our Parliament but it amuses and entertains without straining the capacities of its actors or its audience beyond the natural limits of either. There are worse formulae.

#### Whitewater

Continued from page ! cerned events after the White House deputy counsel's sui-cide in 1993 when he was working on Whitewater.
The report stated that after

learning of Mr Foster's death. Mrs Clinton swiftly "dispatched her trusted lieutenants to contain any potential embarrassment or political damage". It asserted that on the First Lady's instructions relayed through a New York lawyer and confidante named Susan Thomases - Bernard Nussbaum, the White House counsel, and Maggie Williams, Mrs Clinton's chief of staff, searched Mr Foster's office, removed sensitive Whitewater documents, and thwarted police and federal investigations of Mr Foster's

death "at every turn". The report said: "The actions of these senior White House officials constitute a highly improper pattern\_of deliberate misconduct." The Republicans also accused Mr. Nussbaum, Ms Williams and Ms Thomases of perjuring themselves in their subsequent testimony to the committee "in order to conceal Mrs Clinton's pivotal role".

Finally, the report dealt with last year's mysterious discovery in the White House private quarters of Mrs Clinton's legal billing records. These showed not only the work Mrs Clinton had done for Madison, but linked her for the first time to the Castle Grande deal. When the records were subpoensed in 1993, the White House said

they were missing. Mrs Clinton has denied knowing where they were in the interim, or how they could have reached the so-called Book Room where they were found, but the report concluded: "Mrs Clinton is more likely than any other known individual to have placed the records in the Book Room."

# Blair unites with Major to intensify pressure on Adams

By Philip Webster, political editor, and Nicholas Watt

JOHN MAJOR and Tony Blair intensified the mounting pressure on Gerry Adams yesterday to deliver an IRA ceasefire or be banished forever from the Northern Ireland

With President Clinton and Dublin telling Mr Adams that he must halt the men of violence or face political isola-tion, the Prime Minister and Labour leader united to warn the Sinn Fein president that the "moment of truth" had arrived for him. Mr Major said: The time has come for Sinn Fein to make up its mind.

"Either it's going to be a democratic organisation taking part in democratic politics, or it is going to stay as the reverse coin of the IRA, with intermingled membership, in which case it has no part in democratic politics."

Mr Major stressed that for Sinn Fein to enter talks, the IRA must call an "unequivocal ceasefire immediately and show it is credible, it is lasting and is not just a tactical

Mr Blair, who had told Mr Major in advance of his intention to raise Northern Ireland with him at Question Time in the Commons, was determined to make plain to Sinn Fein and the IRA that in Government he would take as tough a line. He said the "appalling outrage" in Manchester demonstrated the wisdom of demanding a truce. Mr Bruton's angry re-

ceasefire before allowing the IRA into the talks. The responsibility now lay squarely on Sinn Fein if it was to play any future part in the peace

He said the only course open to Sinn Fein was to ensure the IRA ceased violence: "If it cannot or won't, then this process should proceed with the democratic parties, an agreement should be reached and put to a ballot of The display of unity in

London came as John Bruton. the Irish Prime Minister, challenged Mr Adams to say whether he had called on the IRA to restore its ceasefire and to make clear whether he still supported the IRA's armed struggle. Although Dublin decided against cutting off contacts with Sinn Fein, and to maintain a channel of communication through officials, it made plain that Mr Adams's answer to the questions would clearly have an impact on

further contact. The Irish Government said in a statement that Sinn Fein's answers would have to be genuine and convincing, not tactical or semantical". Mr Bruton broke off ministerial contact with Sinn Fein after the London Docklands bomb attack in February.

Senior Irish sources had been optimistic until last week that the IRA would declare a

blast and the shooting of a policeman in Co Limerick show that he feels deeply let down by republicans.

The unprecedented pressure from the Irish Government on Sinn Fein drew an angry response from Mr Adams who said it was "discourteous" of ministers to put questions to his party via the media. He declined to say whether he had asked the IRA to restore its ceasefire. However, he came close to distancing Sinn Fein from IRA violence when he was asked on Irish Radio whether he supported the

"armed struggle" Mr Adams said: "We're not involved in it and we do not advocate it. We clearly are a party which has suffered as a result of the armed actions of others and our focus has been. and will continue to be, the total end of all armed actions." Mr Adams's comments do

not indicate that Sinn Fein is about to solit from the IRA. but they underline Sinn Fein's insistence that it is distinct from the IRA. Andrew Hunter, the chairman of the Conservative

Northern Ireland Backbench Committe, called on John Major and John Bruton last night to hold a security summit in the light of the IRA bombing of Manchester.

Hunt for bombers, page 5 Simon Jenkins, page 20



A BRITISH tourist who is pursuing a ground-breaking can courts still suffers constant pain and has counselling four years after being

shot by a mugger in Miami. Patricia Shurben, 40, could be awarded up to \$1 million (£660,000) if she succeeds in her fight to prove that her rental car's number plate made her a target for the muggers. Their .45 bullet missed her spine by the width of a thumbnail and is still lodged in her left shoulder.

Earlier this week the Florida Court of Appeal gave her company and the tour operator which, she claims, failed to warn her of the risks of driving the car.

Last night her lawyer, George Mustakas, who practises in London and Florida, said: "She can have the bullet removed and risk losing the use of her arms or keep the bullet inside her and live in constant pain."

Miss Shurben, from Weston-super-Mare, was shot in 1992 after she and a friend inadvertently drove into a violent area of Miami. They were confronted by three muggers and Miss Shurben was wounded as her friend escaped by swerving the car around the gang. A family friend of Miss Shurben said last night "She feels a sense of grave injustice that there was



no warning that the rental car plates made her an obvious target for attack in some areas of Miami. Her life has been devastated by this incident." Rental cars in Florida no longer carry the distinctive tourist plates.

Miss Shurben is suing Dollar car hire at Miami airport, the travel agency Lunn Poly and Virgin Travel. The Florida Court of Appeal has ruled that she can take action against the companies before

a jury in the Florida District Court, although Virgin and Lunn Poly are contesting the decision. Miss Shurben is to ask for punitive damages as well as an award for negligence.

Mr Mustakas said it was decided to pursue the case in Florida because the "English system is not consumer-orienlated. This is a ground-breaking action. The defendants argue that there is no duty to warn in common law."

and Glaxo.

up.

Mr Ayling said he hoped the exhibition would attract tourists from overseas and other parts of Britain and help the economic regeneration of the Greenwich peninsula. "The plans are the most advanced of any celebrations in the world to mark the new

an event of lasting significance and international stature for

for the millennium." News that the funding has been secured follows weeks of hard lobbying by the deputy Prime Minister Michael Heseltine, who is also a member of the commission, and Sir Peter Levene, the efficiency adviser to the Prime Minister. who has been employed by the commission to drum up busi-

Dr Jack Cunningham, the Shadow Heritage Secretary, said that there were still serious questions about. whether sufficient private sector funding had been confirmed and whether the event would be ready to open on January I, 2000, as planned. "The Government has left the organisers short of time and

# EU may ignore Britain's veto

BY PHILIP WEBSTER, POLITICAL EDITOR

BRITAIN'S most senior diplomat in Brussels gave warning yesterday that Europe's patience was wearing thin over the non-cooperation campaign in pursuit of an end to the ban

suggest that the rest of Europe might try to bypass Britain's policy of vetoing EU measures, if it continued after the European summit this weekend in Florence. He told a Commons committee: "If it isn't resolved then the other member states and the Commission will turn to how they can maintain what they see as legitimate business." There was "muttering but no specific

BY RICHARD FORD

HOME CORRESPONDENT

FAMILIES of the victims of

murder and manslaughter

are to be excluded from

proposals unveiled yesterday

that will give victims of crime

a greater influence in the

They will be barred from

giving written statements, ex-

plaining how the killing has

affected their lives, for use

during criminal proceedings.

The victims of other crimes.

including attempted murder.

grievous bodily harm and

domestic burglary, will give a

statement to be considered by

police, the Crown Prosecution

The victim statement scheme and "one stop shops".

in which certain police sta-

Service and judges.

criminal justice system.

BSE, Mr Rifkind gave warning that the non-cooperation strategy would continue if it

failed to reach a deal in Italy. Tory Euro-sceptics say that John Major would do better to return from Florence emptyhanded than with a "fudge" that contained no clear timescale for lifting the ban. Mr Rifkind said: Even if the Florence summit doesn't prove to be successful, that is not the end of the world. I think there is a good chance of it but inevitably in the last few days before the meeting of the heads of government, that is when the negotiation gets toughest."

Mr Rifkind acknowledged that the Government's tactics had "irritated and frustrated" other member states but insisted that ministers had had no other options. John Redwood, the leading

Euro-sceptic and former Cabinet minister, insisted that there could be no backing down. "As the Government has chosen to use this particular tactic, all it can do is keep its word. It would be very bad for its complete negotiation position if it backed away."

#### Blair policy

Continued from page I standards" for workers. It will make clear that a Labour Government would not repeal the main planks of the Tories' trade union legislation.

"Of course, there must be minimum standards of fair treatment at work but the best long-term protection a modern employee can have is to be equipped to succeed, " he said. Governments should regulate labour markets in a way which maximises both the incentive to employ and the incentive to work."

Trade unions reacted cautiously last night, saying they would wait until Friday to see the policy paper. But an official from the general workers' union, the GMB, warned Mr Blair against dropping the Smith policy on employers' On Europe, Mr Blair said:

It is demeaning to my country, that is so rightly proud of its history and traditions, to be reduced to the margins of influence, dragged along querulously behind the vision and drive of others." Labour would fight the next election on a strongly pro-European ticket despite the electoral risks. Michael Heseltine, the Dep-

uty Prime Minister, respondby accusing Mr Blair of "selling Britain short" and seeking a European "love-in".

> Blair courted, page 14 Leading article. page 21 | money," he said.

#### **Private** sector pays up for 2000 festival

By ALEXANDRA FREAN MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

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THE Government confirmed yesterday that the Millennium Exhibition will go ahead, ending months of speculation that the event might have to be scrapped because of insufficient private-sector backing.

Virginia Bottomley, the Heritage Secretary, said that the Millennium Commission, which has already pledged £200 million towards the yearlong extravaganza, had now received sufficient support from the private sector for work to begin on the exhibition site in Greenwich.

The exhibition at Greenwich will go ahead and the country can look forward to a celebration of which the country can be very proud indeed," she said. It is understood that the commission, which is chaired by Mrs Bottomley, has now received firm pledges support worth around £50 million, and "probable or possible" commitments worth more than £100 million from a number of leading British companies. •

Last week British Airways, BAA and the Corporation of London pledged backing worth between £16 millionand £20 million. Other backs ers are thought to include 📭 BT, GEC, London Electrical

British Airways will new take a lead role in getting the event off the ground. Rober Ayling. BA's chief executive. has agreed to chair a new company, which is to be iormed to set the exhibition

millennium and will produce

Britain," he said. Sir Bob Scott, chief executive of the Greenwich Millennium Trust, said: "This is what the people of Greenwich and London have been waiting so long for, the green light to turn a derelict, contaminated site into a world beating exhibition.

ness funding for the exhibition.

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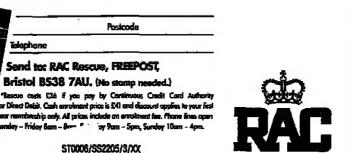
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on beef exports. Sir Stephen Wall, the permanent representative to the European Union, appeared to

threat yet", he said.

Sir Stephen spoke after Malcolm Rifkind, the Foreign Secretary, acknowledged that a deal might not be possible at the summit. There was now no chance of reaching agreement before the EU heads of gov-ernment assembled in Flor-

ence on Friday, he said. Amid signs of strengthening opposition on the Continent to moves to lift the ban, imposed after fears were raised over the possible risk to humans from

#### Letters, page 21

Families left out of victim scheme tions will provide information on the progress of cases, will be piloted in six police force statements. areas - Metropolitan. Hamp-

shire. Merseyside, Sussex, Lancashire and Bedfordshire. Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, unveiled the proposals yesterday when he aunched a revised Victims' Charter aimed at improving the treatment of victims with-

in the criminal justice system. Mr Howard said: "The statement will be considered by all those in the criminal justice system dealing with a case." He insisted that the victims would not be allowed to say what charge should be brought or recommend the

sentence to be passed. in three of the pilot areas police will take down the victim state-3 ents and in the others the victims will be allowed to write their own

The plans have already run into opposition from the judiciary, some of whom who have serious misgivings about the legal implications of allowing victims to write their own statements. They have argued with the Home Office that any statement must meet the evidential requirements of the legal system.

The decision to bar families of murder and manslaughter victims from the new scheme was criticised by the Victim Support charity. Helen Reeves, its director, said: "We are very concerned that some of the most vulnerable victims are being excluded from these plans to improve the information they receive and the

opportunities to provide details about how crime has affected them".

Mr Howard defended the decision. "Once you extend the notion of victims being other than the actual victim. you will get into a very extended area. It is not just the famlies of victims of homicide who suffer as a result of crime."

Harry Fletcher, assistant general secretary of the National Association of Probation Officers, said Mr Howard's plans were impractical. "The seriousness of the offence determines the nature of the sentence. Michael Howard's victim statements: are an attempt to influence that decision. Judges are highly unlikely to allow that to happen." to happen."



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By GRACE BRADBERRY STYLE EDITOR

# Ascot racegoers let summer go to their heads

FLOWERS were a popular theme at Ascot yesterday, adorning some of the most striking hats in the Royal

Claire Callot, 20, from Provence, who was attending Ascot for the first time, wore a hat covered in roses, which she bought in Paris.

While many racegoers opted for conservative straw hats with wide ribbons, the more extreme millinery was

signers. Amanda Jones, 33, wore an extraordinary cone of ruched fabric, designed by Mui Lee. They had both been students at the London College of Fashion.

The warm weather encouraged a large attendance, with 45,355 people watching the St James's Palace Stakes, a 9 per cent increase on last year. For the first time armed police patrolled the entrances and

result of increased security after the Manchester bomb. One sartorial talking point

was provided by a man. When the royal carriages drove through shortly after 2pm it was noticed that the Prince of Wales was wearing a lilac shirt with a white collar. This created instant interest: was it correct? Presumably so, given the colour-

Andrew Parker Bowles, with his elegant second wife, Rosemary, mingled with the wives of lesser-known pop stars, and many people who would not be known for anything much at all. Rosemary Parker Bowles wore an elegant pale lemon suit but other women made up for her restraint with outfits that fulfilled expectations for overthe top fashion.

Isabeli Kristensen, a Danish designer who is making a name for herself in London, wore one of her own creations, a yellow suit with an enormous daisy hat.

Among the best dressed were the Honourable Mrs Waley-Green in an enormous white hat by Philip Treacy and Patti Wong, a Hong Kong socialite, who wore a Thierry Mughler suit and a distinctive ballerina-style hat. Some of the most elegant women wore the simplest outfits. Sandra Howard, accompanying her husband, the Alexandra Legge-Bourke

have been joking. Others in the royal party

Home Secretary, said that her

black-and-white suit was

"homemade" but she might

Queen wore a lavender, floral print dress, Princess Margaret a pale blue suit and Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother wore a turquoise green floral

caused a frisson of excitement when she arrived with a young man on her arm. His brother. Miss Legge-Bourke wore a red shift dress and matching hat. The Queen Mother, who will be 96 in August, delighted crowds at Ascot yesterday by

refusing to let her advancing years interfere with her lifeong passion for the turf (Alan Hamilton writes). She travelled from the royal box to the paddock in what has become the trademark transport of her later years, a battery-driven golf buggy.

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# Couple ambushed on woodland walk by rapist gunman

AN ARMED rapist dragged a 6-year-old girl from her boyfriend at gunpoint as they strolled through a Hampshire wood. The boyfriend managed to raise an alarm and the man managed to escape.

Yesterday detectives said they had not ruled out a possible link between the rape and four similar attacks on courting couples in woodland 25 miles away.

In the latest incident, the man armed with a handgun and a knife approached the couple near a lake at Havant Thicket, near Havant on Monday evening. Despite being threatened, the 28-yearold boyfriend tried to follow the girl and the gunman at a distance through dense undergrowth, but lost sight of them and ran off to telephone police. Officers spotted the attacker. but he ran off as his victim ran towards them.

More than 50 police officers. some equipped with nightvision goggles, spent until the early hours of yesterday searching the four square miles of woods for the attacker. A spotter plane and a helicopter with thermal-imaging equipment were also used in the hunt, without success.

The man was described as dark-haired, 6ft tall, in his 20s and scruffily dressed in a German military-style black and white striped camouflage jacket and jeans.

Police said there were no positive links" with between the rape and cases at Farley Mount, Winchester, but they were keeping an open mind. in the earlier attacks, a man wearing a camouflaged jacket and armed with a handgun also singled out courting couples in secluded country areas. In an April attack which featured on BBCl's Crimewatch programme, the man threatened a couple with a pistol, blindfolded them, tied



Police searched Havant Thicket until early yesterday

them up, then dragged a 16year-old girl into his car and drove off. He released her after sexually assaulting her in a lay-by.

Neil Kingman of Hampshire police said Monday's victim "extremely distressed" but it was hoped that the couple would return to the wood to help to establish the exact location of the incident. He said: They were approached by this individual

carrying a handgun and a knife. The individual told the boyfriend to clear off while he took the girl away to another part of the woods. The boyfriend followed as best he could at a discrete distance, bearing in mind that the assailant had a gun and a knife - that's pretty frightening for anybody. At some stage he lost track of them. He then tried to summon help from a man walking a terrier dog. then went to a telephone box

and dialled 999. "The man was actually seen by officers while they were searching the area. They came across the girl, who ran to the officers. At the same time, the assailant fled into another

part of the woods." Police gave chase, but lost him. Traffic police also mounted static patrols on the A3(M)

and also patrolled Manor

Lodge Road and Havant Road, which border the area. Describing the boyfriend's actions as commendable, Mr Detective Chief Inspector Kingman said: "He tried as best he could to keep an eye on his girlfriend, but bearing in mind he had been threatened with a gun and a knife, it is quite understandable that it might have been difficult for him to follow quite closely. He did the next best thing which

was to summon the police." Police officers and social workers were interviewing the girl yesterday afternoon to try piece together precise details of the attack. Detectives appealed for witnesses, particularly the man with the terrier

Havant Thicket is owned by the Forestry Commission and is popular with ramblers as well as dog walkers. The Staunton Way long-distance footpath runs through it. Kathleen Edmonds, a pensioner who lives near the

woods, said: "I have lived here

for 41 years and the area has

gradually declined as housing estates have sprung up. "People using the woods get their cars broken into and the local children are always causing fires. And now a girl has been raped. I'm terrified even to open my door these days."

#### sex change jailed for blackmail

Woman in

A TRANSSEXUAL who tried to extort £5 million from Harrods was jailed for eight years at the Old Bailey yester-day. Lydie Banot, 41, threatened to release mice into the food hall, spread food poisoning in the restaurants and put fleas in the clothes departthe Christmas rush.

Banot, who was born male pleaded guilty to three charges of conspiring to demand money with menaces. Brian Altman, for the prosecution, told the court that Banot had formed a grudge against the store because, she claimed, she had been scarred by electrolysis treatment to remove facial hair in the

beauty salon. In a letter addressed personally to Mohammed Al Fayed, the Harrods chairman, last November, Banot had demanded that £5 million be placed in a Swiss bank account. The store's security department, led by John Macnamara, a retired detective chief superintendent in the Serious Fraud Squad, called in police who mounted an operation to foil Banot's extor-

Shani Barnes, for Banot, of Walthamstow, east London, said she had a sex-change operation in 1993 and was suffering from a gender identity disorder, which had caused her massive physical and mental suffering and was not to be confused with transvestism. Banot's demand for £5 million was clearly ridiculous and was a cry for help for acknowledgement of years of

Judge Forrester said Banot had run a "sustained and sophisticated" campaign to blackmail Harrods, which was vulnerable to such attacks, and only a custodial sentence was appropriate: "If it were otherwise like-minded people might be more inclined to follow in your footsteps and any such inclination must be deterred.

# Rape-case jury shown secret video

By A STAFF REPORTER

A JURY watched a videotape yesterday of a 16-year-old girl allegedly being raped by the model agency boss Peter Martin in his office. The nine men and three women on the jury at Manchester Crown Court. where Mr Martin faces lo sex charges, sat impassively as they watched the 24-minute tape, said to have been filmed secretly by Mr Martin.

The girl was heard saying "No" several times as Mr Martin, 56, began to have sex with her on a couch at the Model Team International Agency. Each time she said it. Mr Martin retorted "Why?"

Mr Martin and his co-defendant, Tracey Grainey, 30, his former assistant,

had screens next to them in the dock but did not watch the video. Much of the soundtrack was confused by the sound of a film. Carry On - Follow That Camel. playing on the television in Mr Martin's office in Manchester.

Mr Martin, of Sale, pleads not guilty to raping eight young women, six indecent assaults and two charges of taking indecent photographs of girls under 16. Miss Grainey, of Atherton, Greater Manchester, denies four indecent assaults on young women, three of them jointly with Mr Martin.

The alleged rape victim, Miss B, now 29, was allowed to leave court while the film was shown. Earlier Miss B. who had joined the agency at the age of 14 and later worked there, told how she was first raped by him after being driven to his home shortly after her sixteenth birthday, while she was still at school.

She said that Mr Martin had sex with her six or seven more times over about eight months, but she had not been willing on any occasion. She said she had continued at the model agency because she thought she should act "as if everything was all right".

She left the agency after a dispute with Mr Martin about not taking a message at the reception desk, where she worked after leaving school. She was also concerned, she said, about the attention he was giving her sister, then aged 10 or 11. The trial was adjourned until today.

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# Murder victim worked for police



Janet Murgatroyd

By Stewart Tendler CRIME CORRESPONDENT

**DETECTIVES** investigating the murder of a woman found floating in a river discovered yesterday that she was one of

their own clerks. Janet Murgatroyd, 20, a clerk at Lancashire police headquarters in Preston, was found in the River Ribble in Preston, naked and beaten about the head and face. Miss Murgatroyd, who lived with her mother, worked at night for the crime reports bureau. She recently completed her first year of part-time study for a law degree at the University

of Central Lancashire and had taken the job to fund her studies. Police are trying to trace a

couple seen arguing early last Sunday in gardens close to the river and the area where Miss Murgatroyd lived in Penwortham, near Preston. A woman dressed like Miss Murgatroyd was later seen in a distressed state on the bridge trying to call a taxi. Twenty minutes later a witness has reported seeing a man emerging from bushes leading down

to the riverbank. Detective Superintendent Graham Gooch said Miss Murgatroyd had a broken jaw

and was badly beaten but not sexually assaulted. She had not been in the water very long and was almost certainly dead when she entered the river.

He said: "The fact that this victim worked for the force makes it especially traumatic for her colleagues, but we must deal with it with the same determination as any other murder hunt." Superintendent Karen

Hives said: "She was a determined and confident young woman who knew her way in life. We have had to make sure that those who were closest to Janet have not had to handle the case."

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Non-vegetarian v vegetarian diet	3.08	Heart disease	American Journal of Clinical Nutrition, Vol. 31, p. \$191 (1978)
Frequently cooking with rapeseed oil	2.80	Lung cancer	International Journal of Cancer, Vol. 40, p. 604 (1987)
Drinking 1-2 glasses of whole milk per day	1.62	Lung cancer	International Journal of Cancer, Vol. 43, p. 608 (1989)
Eating one biscuit a day	1.49	Heart disease	Lancet, Vol. 341, p. 581 (1993)
Drinking chlorinated water	1.38	Rectal cancer	American Journal of Public Health, Vol. 82, p. 955 (1992)
Parcy respectively	4.30	Mortality	American Journal of Epidemiology, Vol. 119, p. 175 (1984)
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High vegetable diet	0.37	Lung cancer	International Journal of Epidemiology, Vol. 25, Suppl. 1, p. 32 (19
High fruit diet	0.31	Lung cancer	American Journal of Epidemiology, Vol. 133, p. 683 (1991)

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WPC tells

of decision

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bomb store

By KATE ALDERSON

THE Manchester policewom-

an who discovered the lorry

containing the IRA bomb

spoke yesterday of her fear as she decided, on her own initiative, to evacuate Marks &

PC Wendy McCormick, 34,

was on routine patrol in the

city centre that morning when

she was told over her radio

about the bomb warning.

Within minutes, she had locat-

ed the bomb outside Marks & Spencer. The vehicle was the

tale. I just thought: it's got to

be this one - let's evacuate.

The radio was so busy I

couldn't get through, so I took

it on my own back to evacuate

She ran in and set about

getting shoppers and workers out. "It was an effort to stop

people walking past me to-

wards the van, but we did the

best we could with 13 officers. I

was trying not to swear at people and I was trying to stress that this one was real. She had realised her life was

in danger and said to herself

that she did not want to die

just because "somebody won't

close to such a threat. You

think you're going to read about something like that in

the newspapers - it didn't

A picture of PC Vanessa

Winstanley, 23, as she rescued a blood-soaked elderly wom-

an, was seen by newspaper

Winstanley said: "Somebody

came up to me and said there

was a lady in a shop with head

injuries. She was sitting on a

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SATURDAY IN THE TIMES

Terrorists may be

pictured today

By KATE ALDERSON

POLICE are hopeful of releasing descriptions of the Manchester bombers today

after analysing hours of video

footage and receiving scores of calls from the public. Colin Phillips, Assistant Chief Constable of Greater

Manchester Police, said that investigators might now know

the face of the man who paid

£2,000 in cash for the lorry

used in Saturday's bombing.

Detectives were sifting through masses of informa-tion and he expected to an-

nounce "significant dev-elopments". He added: "We

are very hopeful we may have some descriptions of the

Officers have received calls

from members of the public

with information about pos-

sible sightings along the route from Peterborough, where the

lorry was bought.
"We are still examining a

huge number of security vid-eos, but we can't confirm at

this stage if we have sightings

of the lorry all the way on its

route from Peterborough to

Manchester," Mr Phillips said. "We are hopeful that

we may have caught the

sifting through a mass of

Police are talking to everyone connected with the sale of

the lorry and the transportation of the money used to buy the white Ford Cargo vehicle. Yesterday, detectives in Peterborough were still interviewing the dealer. Arthury Loveridge, of Eye, Cambridge

shire, who sold the lorry to an

unknown Irishman last Fri-

day. A taxi driver who deliv-

ered the cash payment to Mr Loveridge's home was also still being interviewed. Mr Phillips, who will be in

Peterbrough this afternoon to

release more information about the bombers, said of the

two men being interviewed: "I

stress we are talking to them

as witnesses only.

"Hopefully we will have some sort of description, at

least of the person who hand-

ed the money to the taxi

The area immediately

around the bomb site was still

cordoned off yesterday to al-

low police and forensic scien-

tists to carry out a detailed

search, but an outer cordon

was lifted on Monday

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Wendy McCormick, left, and Vanessa Winstanley were on duty in the city centre

not speaking. There was blood running from her head down her back and across her chest." PC Winstanley helped the woman into a pub, to wait for the emergency services. The nearest police officer to

the blast flattened himself in a recess in an alleyway as glass and masonry hailed down. Inspector Dave Comerford, 46, has been nicknamed "Lucky" by colleagues after emerging with only a nick to his right carlobe.

"There was an unbelievable I was frightened to death. If it had exploded then I wouldn't be here to tell the noise and a blast of heat and compression," he said. "The next thing, the surrounding windows fell upon me. I had a half-inch covering of glass fragments on my head and

Mr Comerford, who headed the officers initially evacuating the area, said it would cal" to move huge numbers of people any further from the bomb scene. "You are trying to move people who don't want to go. You have to push them back and then you threaten them. You have 80,000 people behind you trying to get into the city not believing anything is going to happen."
Almost 100 people who lived

finish their pizza and get out". in the area that took the brunt of the explosion seem likely to By the time the bomb went off, she was behind the corlose their possessions. Audon. She was knocked off her thorities will not know until today if the Arndale building, feet, but not injured, and began helping the injured and where their flats are, will have to be demolished with their She said: "I would never possessions still inside. Many have expected something that occupants are not insured.

big. It was the most frighten-Manchester City Council ing thing I've had to deal with has provided emergency shelter for the blast victims in a in ten years' service." PC Gary Hartley, 29, joined university conference centre. her just after she discovered However, from today it will be the van. He said: "I just needed by the university. couldn't believe that I was so

Candy Shaw, 27, like many of the others, has only the clothes that she was wearing when they had to run for their lives. "On Saturday we were left with nowhere to go, and no money. Businesses are getting help, but nobody seems to be thinking about us.

The refugees had been given Binchenough, 47, said: "We have no money, no clothes. and nowhere to go."

Simon Jenkins, page 20

#### chair, obviously in shock and The kissagrams who strip people of their dignity

THE kissagram business is under threat from companies which breach the boundaries of good taste by humiliating their victims, it was claimed vesterday.

Vindictive requests from exwives and boyfriends, who want their former partners publicly embarrassed for as little as £25, should be rejected, directors of reputable kissagram companies say.

The warning comes after Gail Steele, a 44-year-old company director, claimed at an industrial tribunal that she suffered sexual discrimination when male colleagues hired a stippagram for her birthday. The hearing earlier this week was told that Ms Steele's colleagues asked for her to be blindfolded, handcuffed and humiliated.

The kissagram industry, which came to Britain in the 1970s from America, is not governed by any regulations. The lack of rules means company directors should ponsibility for observing the bounds of good taste. according to Steve Ashford. 36, who runs KB Promotions, a kissagram company based



Earl Thomas: hired to humiliate employee

in Croydon. "The whole purpose of kissagrams is to provide fun at a party. If you end up upsetting someone, then that defeats the object.

"The other day I had a request from a woman who wanted a roly-poly strippagram ia fat naked womani for her husband because they were getting divorced. She wanted to get her own back so I turned it down. I've had requests for pies to be thrown in people's faces or to be covered in shaving foam but it's not the sort of thing I want to get involved with. You end

up with a bad reputation. 'A woman called me recently to say she had been in touch with another agency for a male stripper. She was offered a 75-year-old man. That sort of thing affects the reputation of the strippagram business."

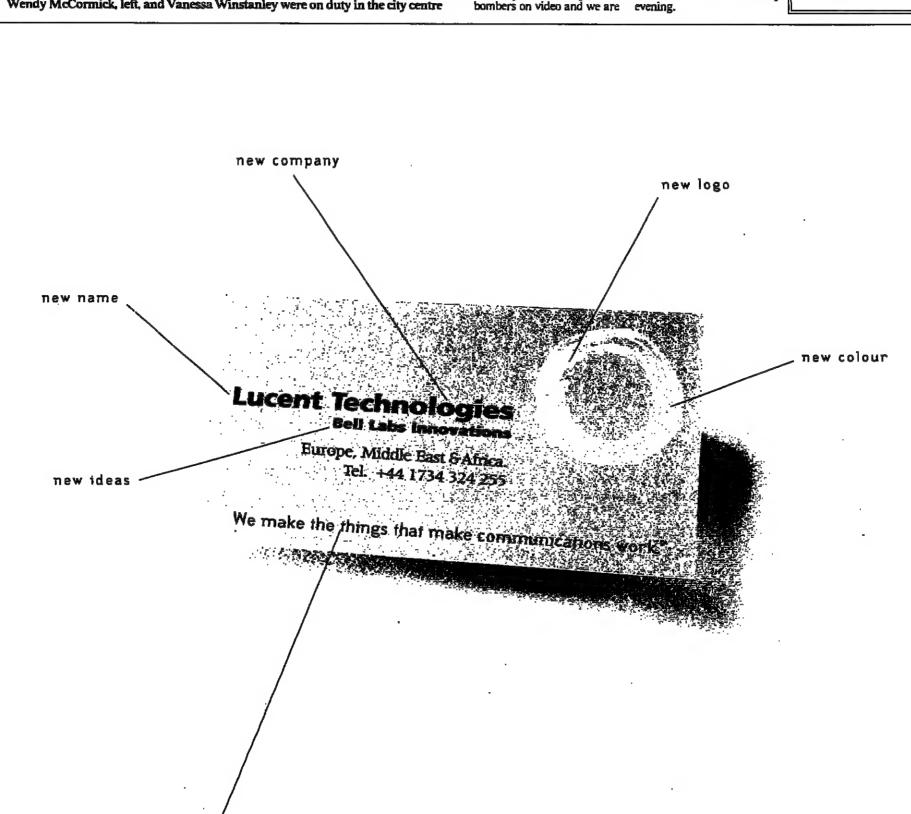
Mr Ashford, who charges between £25 and £45 per kissagram, has 50 male and female employees. He also offers clowns for children's parties and singing telegrams for weddings. There is nothing wrong with someone taking their clothes off as long as the client is comfortable," he said. "If the client is not enjoying it, then a good stripper will know immed-

iately and stop." There are two main singing telegram companies in London, but between them they cover the Home Counties and parts of Kent and Sussex and there are kissagram agencies

in all the main cities Earl Thomas, 28, the stripper hired by Ms Steele's colleagues, has offered Ms Steele his apologies and now works in a fancy dress shop in

Clapham, south London. He said: "I don't remember the lady in this case but I'm sorry if she was upset. I changed jobs hecause I'm getting too old for stripping."

Nigella Lawson, page 19



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# Dunblane killer's club 'like Hitler Youth'

# Shadow minister took his son away from Hamilton

By GILLIAN BOWDITCH, SCOTLAND CORRESPONDENT

GEORGE ROBERTSON, the Shadow Scottish Secretary. removed his ten-year-old son from one of the Dunblane gunman's clubs because it was militaristic and resembled the Hitler Youth.

Mr Robertson, the MP for Hamilton, who has lived in Dunblane for more than 20 years, told Lord Cullen's inquiry vesterday of his ten-year banle to stop Thomas Hamilton operating boys clubs. The inquiry is investigating the events surrounding the massacre of 16 pupils and their teacher by Hamilton on

Mr Robertson, who has two sons and a daughter, said that in 1983 his son Malcolm had started to attend Dunblane Rovers, a club run by Hamilton from the gymnasium of Dunblane High School. It offered five-a-side football and gymnastics at a time when there was little for young buys to do in the area.
Initially Mr Robertson had

no concerns about the club. Malcolm attended three or four times with some of his friends before missing an evening. Mr Robertson and his wife, Sandra, became alarmed when Hamilton wrote to their son after his one-week absence. The letter reprimanded the boy and asked for an

The letter concerned Mr Robertson so much that, along

with another parent, he visited the club. The two men watched for 15 minutes through a glass door.

We were both struck very quickly by the bizarre nature of what was going on," Mr Robertson told the inquiry. There was a large number of small boys in shorts, stripped to the waist, being bossed around by two or three middle-aged men swaggering around in a very militaristic way. I've since described it as looking a bit like Hitler Youth.

They were marching about. There was something sinister in the way they were conducting themselves. Mr Robertson and the other

father both decided to withdraw their sons from the club. As a result Hamilton had



Hamilton: reprimanded

day demanding to know his reasons and wanting to speak to Malcolm.

Mr Robertson said he became increasingly concerned that someone like Hamilton. with no qualifications, no checkable background and no credentials could lease a school gym, use the equip-ment without supervision and be in charge of "an army of small boys".

In 1983 he spoke to Michael Forsyth, now Secretary of State for Scotland but then a newly elected MP for the constituency, about his con-cerns. He said that as Mr Forsyth questioned him about the evidence he had against Hamilton, he was aware that his arguments seemed weak.

He said that he in no way blamed Mr Forsyth for his cautious reaction at that stage. Mr Robertson said he continued to keep Mr Forsyth informed of Hamilton's activities and sent him leaflets Hamilton posted through doors in Dunblane. When Hamilton took his

grievences to the local government ombudsman and won his case against the Central Regional Council, forcing the council to renew his let of the school, Mr Robertson said he and his wife were in despair. He told Lord Cullen that the

use of the school premises had given Hamilton a bogus respectability, "Had he not been



Michael Forsyth, the Scottish Secretary, left, and his Labour Shadow George Robertson at the inquiry yesterday

allowed to get past first base and use public premises, perhaps he would not have gained the same level of frustrated obsession he ultimately ended up in," he said.

Mr Forsyth told the inquiry that he first met Hamilton in 1983. He had come to his surgery complaining that certain Scouts leaders were

spreading rumours about him which had led to the council refusing to lease him the school premises for his club.

Initially Mr Forsyth felt Hamilton had a genuine grievence and this feeling was validated by the local government ombudsman's report which backed Hamilton. But over the years Hamilton had

them on to the relevant authorities and started to change his views about Hamilton. who he said was clearly "not as straightforward as he first

bombarded Mr Forsyth with

letters complaining about the

Scouts, the council and the police. Mr Forsyth passed

The last letter to Mr Forsyth

before the massacre. In retrospect, Mr Forsyth said, this letter had a different tone to the others and Hamilton, who had argued his case with the tenacity of a terrier, had seemed resigned to giving up The inquiry continues.

from Hamilton was dated

February II. 1996, a month

#### Shephard orders accent on grammar

THE TIMES WE

BY JOHN O'LEARY EDUCATION EDITOR

PUPILS of 14 face tougher tests in grammar, spelling and punctuation after a review of English assessment ordered by Gillian Shephard in her clampdown on "trendy

teaching".
The Education and Employ ment Secretary acted yesterday after academics from Southampton University reported that secondary school pupils were learning more about grammar in foreign language lessons than in English. The researchers found a dramatic decline in the teaching of formal grammar.

Mrs Shephard has asked the School Curriculum and Assessment Authority to reexamine its tests at 14 to see that they reflect the emphasis the curriculum puts on correct English". The revised national curriculum gives a higher priority to spelling, punctua-tion and grammar, but ministers believe that only rigorous testing will ensure schools implement the changes fully.

Any changes probably would not be introduced until 1998. Commenting on the research. Mrs Shephard said: "If children are to learn to express themselves clearly and effectively and make full use of our wonderful language, they need to be taught how the English language works. This may seem a remarkably obvious message but it is one that sadly was lost sight of by the trendy teaching of the 1960s and 1970s."

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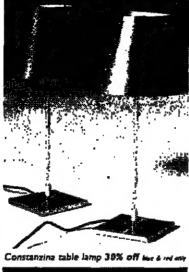
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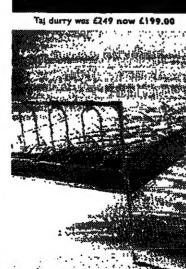
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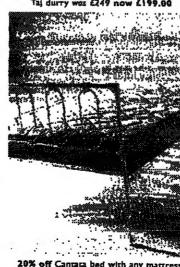


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NEWS IN BRIEF

#### Apology for abuse by priests

A senior member of the Roman Catholic Church in Ireland has apologised to children who were sexually abused by priests. Bishop Seamus Hagarty told a semi-nar in Londonderry that the abuse of children assumed a more serious dimension when clergy were the offenders.

"It is a matter of the most profound regret that a very small number of clergy has offended in this way. I apologise unreservedly to victims and their families for the violation of trust and for the emotional and psychological damage which they have suf-fered." he said.

#### L-test strike

Up to 7,000 driving tests are expected to be cancelled next Wednesday because of a oneday strike by examiners. The pay strike, by 900 members of the Public Service. Tax and Commerce union. will be followed by a work-to-rule.

#### Algae hazard

The public has been banned from the largest natural lake in Wales because of toxic algae. The blue-green blooms, which can be lethal to animals, also closed Bala Lake in Snowdonia National Park

#### Fatal prank

Leigh Morris, II. strangled himself while trying to amuse his younger sisters by swinging from a washing line. The children were in the care of a babysitter at their home in Caerphilly, Mid Glamorgan, when the accident happened.

#### Bird overboard Bert, the vulture that could

not fly, has finally taken to the skies from a hot-air balloon. The year-old African vulture, unwilling to fly after being reared by humans, took off from above Whipsnade Wild Animal Park, Bedfordshire.

#### Cox's pipe-in Firefighters prevented a gas

explosion by plugging a fractured pipe with an apple. The pipe, in Stratford-upon-Avon, was damaged after a car crashed into a flat. A fireman took an apple from the rubble for the makeshift repair.

#### Queue jumpers

John Butcher, a Tory MP. urged ministers to convert the central reservation of the M6 into a picnic area and to allow jugglers and acrobats to perform there, to ease the stress of drivers caught in queues around Birmingham.

#### CORRECTION

John Abineri is the actor who portrays a butler in the Ferre-ro Rocher TV commercial, not the late Preston Lockwood (obituary, May 22).

#### **Trapped hedgehogs** bale out of trouble

A FAMILY of hedgehogs survived being racked, stacked, vacuum-packed and transported hundreds of miles incaused by their breath inside side a bale of hay. After more than a week, they were spotted by a girl who bought the hay from a pet shop to use for her

rabbit's hutch.
It is believed that the mother hedgehog and four new-born young were scooped up by a hav-baler in a field near Reading Berkshire. The bale was stacked on to a

lorry and driven to a factory, where it was vacuum-packed inside a heavy plastic sack and left on a factory shelf for ten days. Later it was transported a

hundred miles by lorry to a pet food shop in Southampton. where it was sold to 12-yearold Carin Anderson for her rabbit.

The girl discovered the creatures when she opened the bag at home. She contacted a wildlife rescuer, Dorothy Squires, who said: "It is the most extraordinary thing that any of the had survived. The

the plastic.
The air had almost run out,

and they would have been dead very soon. It is amazing that they have survived at all, a real triumph.

The family will be released into a protected garden once they have recovered from their



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# Reform may spark divorce rush

LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

A SURGE in divorce in the next two years was predicted by lawyers vesterday as separating couples rush to get to the courts before the Government's reforms, agreed in the Commons on Monday night.

Although the Family Law Act will not take effect until January I, 1999, officials intend to move swiftly to put a framework for testing the measures by this autumn. The studies around the country, so that divorcing couples will first have an information briefing and the opportunity to use mediation and counselling services.

However, Peter Lilley, the Social Security Secretary, said yesterday that the Government would not rush through the Act's provisions for splitting pensions at the time of divorce. He said that ministers would wait for the publication of a White Paper early next year and legislation was not likely to come into effect until

"This is a complex and sensitive issue which needs to take into account changes to matrimonial, tax and pensions law. The Government is not prepared to legislate prematurely in an area which affects so many people."

The reforms will see a new approach to divorce for the 150,000 couples who separate each year, with the scrapping

of the "quickie" divorce.

David Hodson, a solicitor with the Family Law Consortium, a Covent Garden prac-tice which offers legal advice. Charles Russell, said: "I have

said: "By the autumn, in perhaps half a dozen centres, everything should be in place bar the law itself." He predicted a rise in work for family lawyers under the old laws. But the next two years would see a culture change, with many more divorcing couples

using mediation. However, there were fears yesterday that the measures might prompt people to divorce who might otherwise have stayed married. Grant Howell, of the solicitors

that long - I must start proceedings now."
Nigel Shepherd, chairman of the Solicitor Family Law Association, said the Bill as passed was very different from its original, and presented a host of bureaucratic hurdles: "Labour's Paul Boateng described it as a dog's break-

> Work still had to be done on the detailed framework, "but family lawyers are determined to get this into a format which will help people come to arrangements more amicably than they do now". He did not predict an immediate rush, but the number of divorces might rise as the implementation of the new law loomed.

couple more edible courses."

There will be transitional arrangements: couples already in the process of divorcing under the two or five-year senaration are expected to be unaffected by the new law.



Lahilah Apia described her son Kalum as "my hero"

#### Kalum, 7, keeps cool to save life of mother

BY PAUL WILKINSON

THE coolness of a seven-year old boy saved his mother's life when she collapsed at home. Not only did Kalum Apia pass on exact details to paramedics, he also arranged for a babysitter to look after his brothers while their mother was in hospital.

Now Kalum is to receive a plaque from North Yorkshire Ambulance Trust, who said his mother owed her life to his prompt actions after she suffered a severe asthma attack

The boy had found Lahilah Apia, 34 in her bed gasping for breath and unable to move or speak. First he searched for her inhaler and, while she used it telephoned for an ambulance from their home in Whitby, North Yorkshire, describing carefully situation.

While he waited for the ambulance to arrive, Kalum telephoned a family friend to ask if she could care for his two younger brothers, Etan. five and Taram. one.

Mrs Apia said: "Kahun saved my life, he's my hero."

# Shake-up shifts emphasis to mediation

BY FRANCES GIBB

THE divorce reforms agreed by MPs represent the biggest shake-up since the Divorce Reform Act of 1969. They remove the notion of fault and scrap the "quickie" divorce. The main changes are:

☐ The sole ground for divorce will be "irretrievable breakdown". Couples will not have to cite a reason, as now when 75 per cent cite fault-based grounds, such as as adultery or unreasonable behaviour, so as to avoid waiting two years to divorce on grounds of separation (or five years, if both do not agree).

Deople will not be able to divorce

within a year of their marriage. They must then wait a minimum of 12 months (18 months if there are children) - a

"cooling off" period for reflection.

Couples will have to reach agreement on finances and arrangements for children before a divorce order is granted. ☐ The decrees nisi and absolute will become one divorce order, to be applied for at the end of the cooling off period. If couples cannot agree on children and finances, they will be able extend the time for a further 12 months, when the

divorce process must start all over again. □ Everyone seeking a divorce will be obliged to have an information briefing on a range of services, including marriage guidance, counselling, mediation and legal advice.

Mediation will have a central role.

Everyone will be told about it but it will not be compulsory. Legal aid will be available for marriage guidance or counselling.

Courts will not grant orders in cases where agreements are not reached over children and finances, although if one party is unreasonable and seeks to delay agreement, the courts can grant a divorce order anyway. They will not do so against a spouse's will if this would cause substantial hardship to children or to one of the couple Courts will have the power, as now, to

take into account spouses' conduct when deciding how to divide property and In addition, the Government has been

given the power to introduce regulations on pension splitting, although these will need separate legislation.

#### Hospitals are at full stretch, says survey

By JEREMY LAURANCE, HEALTH CORRESPONDENT

strongest pressure since the introduction of reforms five years ago, the National Asso-ciation of Health Authorities and Trusts said yesterday. A rise in emergency admissions was said to be pushing hospitals to the limits of capacity. A survey of 30 NHS trusts

and 19 health authorities found increases ranging from 3 to 13 per cent a year, resulting in severe bed shortages, delays to operations and long waits on trolleys.

The ageing population and advances in medical science have added to the pressures. The survey found that new geriatric outpatient cases rose by more than 12 per cent in 1993-94. The average cost of an episode of geriatric care was \$2,673 compared with £991

across all acute specialties. Philip Hunt. director of the association, said yesterday that the pressures could cause waiting lists to lengthen as the NHS struggled to match the rise in demand with a modest growth in funding of 1.1 per cent in real terms. He said: The survey confirms that very difficult choices are having to be made. While waiting lists will fall or remain on an

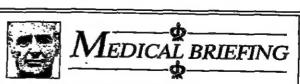
THE NHS is experiencing its even keel in many places, in some parts of the country they

are threatening to slip back." Speaking to the association's annual conference in Harrogate, Mr Hunt attacked critics who claimed that the country could no longer afford fully to fund the NHS: This would imply the notion of a comprehensive NHS being eventually displaced by a second-rate safety net service for the poor and needy. I don't share that view.

It is not impossible to fund the NHS properly out of the public purse. I am convinced that economic growth and rising productivity mean that the nation should be able to afford a good deal more health care in the future."

Two junior doctors have found they walk an average of 6.8 miles during a 24-hour shift on call. Dr Nicholas Jones and Dr Dyfed Hughes wore pedometers for a monthlong study at the modern Princess of Wales Hospital in Bridgend. Mid Glamorgan. Dr Jones, 28, said: "Walking between departments and wards is like getting in training for a marathon. We would like planners and managers to think more about layout."

# From exhaust to happy exhaustion



possible that a doctor caught in a traffic jam in the type of weather we have been enjoying would remember that one of the foul gases he was inhaling was nitric oxide. Nitric oxide, the nitrogen monoxide of chemistry classes at school - and not nitrous oxide, the dentist's laughing gas - is one of the pollutants emitted from car exhausts. Apart from the dangers of this, it was not thought to be of clinical significance, for its therapeutic importance had not then been investigated.

Now, in the best medical circles, nitric oxide is a very fashionable compound and scientists from many different branches of medicine are investigating its properties, both good and bad,

Today when doctors sit in the traffic inhaling the fumes, they should remember that nitric oxide may hold the key to the treatment of impotence in men and may improve the sex lives of women.

An indication of the widespread importance of nitric oxide is that the Royal Society of Medicine held a two-day conference on its clinical implications last week. Four medical knights and one dame chaired the different sessions to discuss the relevance of nitric oxide to cardiology, haemotology, obstetrics, immunology, chest diseases and the central nervous system. There seems to be no branch of medicine in which its role may not be of therapeutic importance.

In human tissue, nitric oxide acts as a chemical messen-

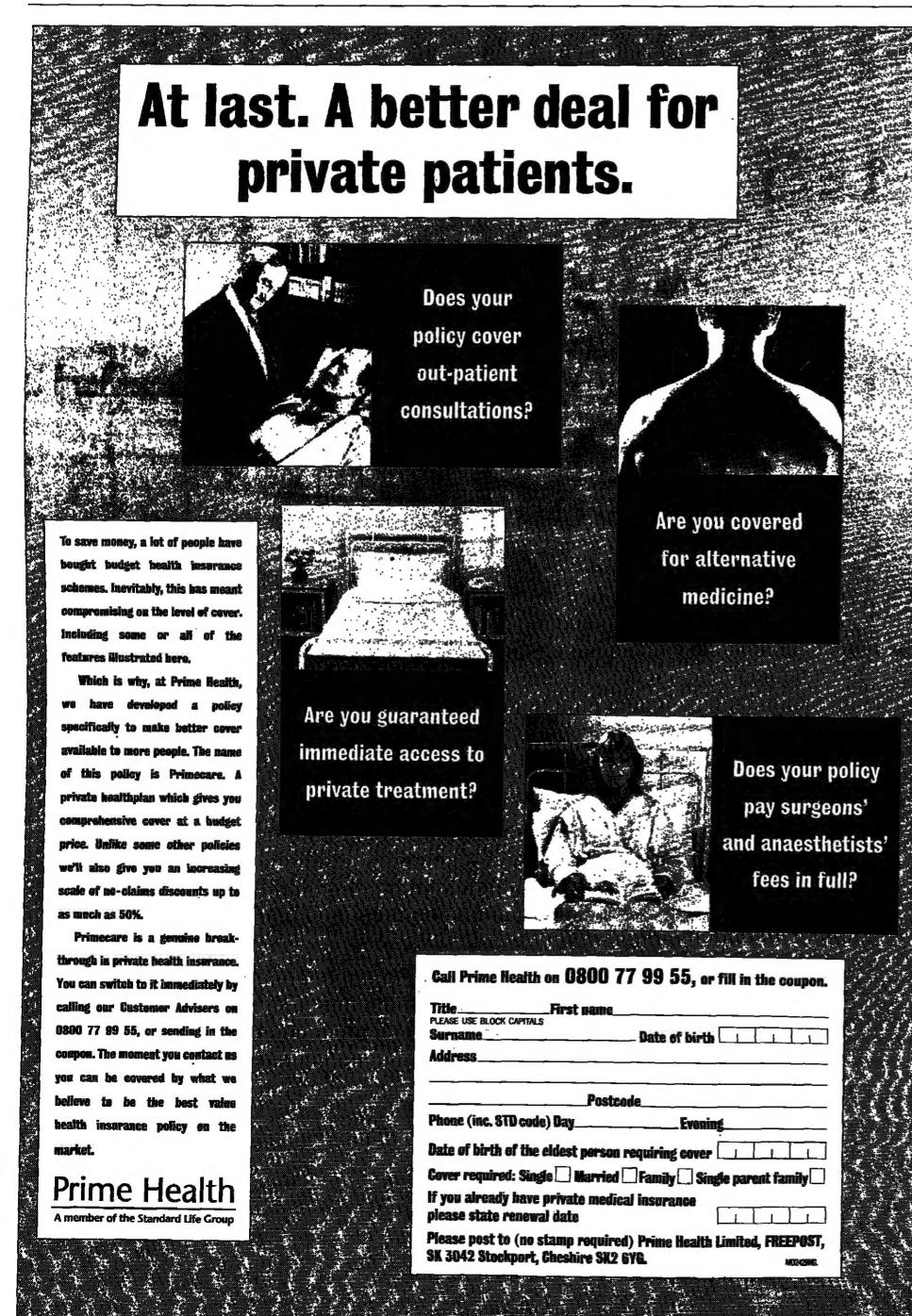
ger, and its chief action is as a vasodilator, improving the blood supply. It has obvious implications in venereology, and the latest edition of the BMJ included a report from Egypt on the trial of a cream used in the treatment of impotence which contains three substances, one of which, isosorbide dinitrate, generates nitric oxide when absorbed. The other two creams used different biothemical pathways to im-prove penile blood supply.

The Egyptian doctors carried out a randomised, double-blind trial to check the efficacy of their cream in comparison with a placebo when used by 36 impotent men. Sixty-six per cent - 21 of the men in the trial - had satisfactory erections and sexual intercourse when using

The Egyptians are not the only doctors who have been experimenting with creams for impotence. Dr Malcolm Carruthers, who practises in London, has devised a mixture which contains similar ingredients, but his also includes testosterone. He is still conducting trials, but describes his initial results as encouraging.

One unexpected feature reported by Dr Carruthers is that, as some of the cream is absorbed by the women, their enjoyment is also enhanced ☐ Dr Stuttaford was appointed OBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours and not MBE as reported last week.

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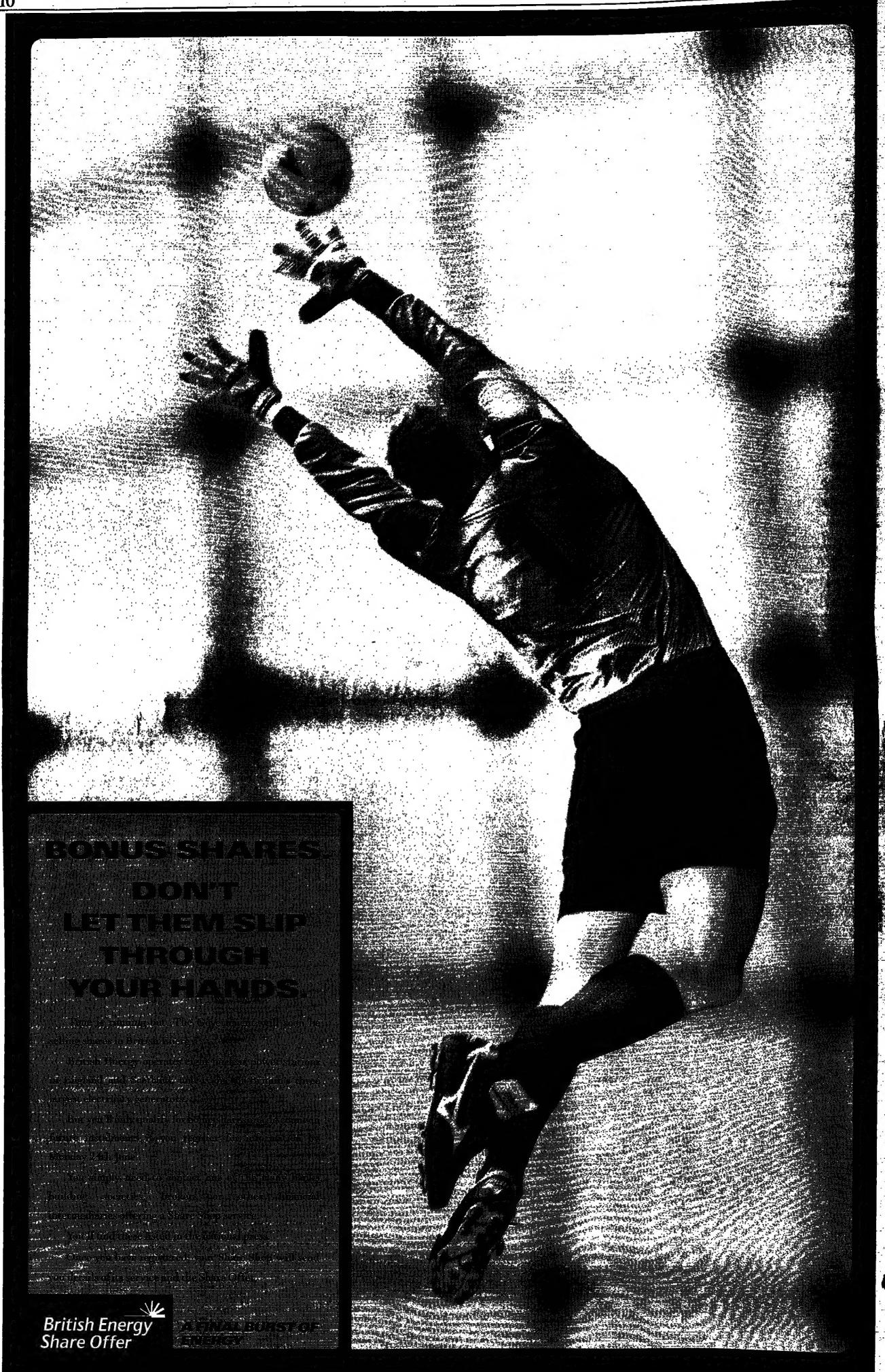
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# **National Gallery** Rubens is put to the tree-ring test

By Dalya Alberge, arts correspondent

THE National Gallery has agreed to a scientific test of one of its prized paintings. Rubens's Samson and Delilah, after a group of artists challenged its attribution. On both stylistic and documentary evidence, they argued, it is a copy by one of the many assistants in the master's workshop rather than the master himself.

They called for the gallery to undertake a dendrochronological test — testing the age of the wood rings in the panel on which it is painted. The test can pinpoint the year when a tree was cut down and has aiready caused two scholars to "de-attribute" two other sup-

posed Rubenses in Vienna. The rings on which Samson is painted could establish it as later than its perceived date of 1609. The gallery's decision to carry out the test comes four years after the group made the request. The gallery had insisted that tests were unnecessary since neither the date nor the provenance was in doubt. Euphrosyne Doxiadis, an

artist and award-winning scholar, and painters Steven Harvey and Sian Hopkinson - who have devoted many years of research to the Rubens - refused to give up. Their case was strengthened by dendrochronology tests on the paintings in the Vienna

Jordaens, who was greatly influenced by Rubens. Christopher Brown, the gallery's chief curator, told The Times that he would agree to the test "if it will put the matter to rest". He will invite Peter Klein of the University of Hamburg, an expert in the tests, to inspect the painting when he visits London. The artists discovered that

Kunsthistorisches Museum.

The portraits of the Archduke

Albert and his spouse Isabella

of The Netherlands were said

to have been painted in 1609.

The revised dating, to 1618, convinced the Dutch scholar

Amout Balis and Walter

Liedtke, curator of Dutch and

Flemish paintings at the Met-

ropolitan Museum in New

York, that the pictures were

the work of the young Jacob

the Samson was attributed to Rubens only in 1929. For 237 years, from 1692, it was always described as a copy after Rubens, For 180 years, it was in the collection of the Princes of Lichtenstein. Each of three inventories (1767, 1780 and 1873) warns: "Do not attribute this painting to Rubens." They argue that the painting

is "awkward", primarily in the way that Samson's right foot has been sliced off: they see no valid reason for why Rubens should have distorted its proportions so clumsily. That view is supported by Michael



centuries meant nothing: "Ru-

bens scholarship developed from the late 19th century."

Asked why Rubens would

Reynolds, an award-winning member of the Royal Society of Portrait Painters, who suggests the hand of Jordaens. Scholars, the artists believe, are conveniently omitting contradictory evidence.

The painting was acquired in 1980, for £2.5 million. For centuries before that, it was attributed to a minor Rubens follower, Jan van den Hoecke. Rubens was commissioned to

paint a Samson and Delilah between 1608 and 1609. His client was Nicolaas Rockox.

The painting hung in Rockox's salon until his death in 1640, its last documented reference is to that year in Rockox's inventory. Then nothing, until 1929, when the present panel was proclaimed by a single scholar as the missing Rubens.

Wolfgang Prohaska, a cura-

tor at the Kunsthistorisches, is "Rubens was a wonderful convinced that his museum's painter. Sometimes he didn't works are by Rubens. Of Samson and Delilah, he said: Michael Daley, director of Artwatch UK, which has been highly critical of the National "It's absurd. This is one of the most wonderful master-works," He insisted that the Gallery's restoration policies, dismissal of it through the said that if the gallery's attri-

bution were incorrect, "they

are doing an enormous disser-

#### Credit card firms 'fail to admit liability'

By Adrian Lee

CREDIT card companies are accused today of routinely breaking the law by failing to disclose to customers their rights to compensation if they receive poor services or buy faulty goods. The National Consumer Council has called for a new code of practice to prevent people being misled.

Customers are frequently told to complain to retailers, when it is the credit card company that is liable to pay compensation, says the council in a report published today. David Hatch, the council's

chairman, said: "If a customer has lost out because their credit card was accepted by a holiday company about to go bust, or a shop selling faulty goods, the card issuer is as much to blame as the retailer. But at the moment claimants are fobbed off unless they can quote the law and have the support of a consumer adviser."

The council believes the of banking practice should be extended to cover credit card companies, and the Office of Fair Trading should be given stronger powers to impose sanctions. The lower limit on claims of £100 should

be abolished, it adds.
Under the 1974 Consumer Credit Act customers can claim losses back from either the retailer or the credit card issuer. Mr Hatch said: "Issuers should only let their cards be accepted by reputable retailers and be accountable for any failures."

# Buyer wanted for castle where victors of Culloden stayed

Tests cast doubt on Archduke Albert, left. Now Christopher Brown is to have Samson checked

By RACHEL KELLY, PROPERTY CORRESPONDENT

THE castle from which the Duke of Cumberland set out for the Battle of Culloden 250 years ago is for sale for the first time in its history.

The Duke mustered his 8,000 government troops in the grounds of Dalcross Castie and marched the Redcoats to victory over Bonnie Prince Chartie and his 4.000 Highfield is two miles from the five-storey castle.

The Grade A listed building, eight miles east of Inverness, has been put on the market at £842,500. It is being sold by Angus Warre, a third cousin of the Mackintosh family who have owned the castle since the early 18th

Warre inherited the from his mother, a Mackintosh, ten years ago. But he and his wife, Sophie, an Interior designer, have been able to use it only as a holiday home from their base

in Petersfield, Hampshire, and they have therefore decid-

The stone pile, with views over the Moray Firth, has angled turrets and crowstepped gables. It was built in 1621 by the 8th Lord Lovat, clar chief of the Lovat Frasers. A century later it passed to the powerful neighbouring family of Mackintosh of

Daicross Castle

Mackintosh, heriditary chiefs of the clan Chattan. The castle has a 749-acre estate, which includes 218 acres of commercial conifer forest, three let farms of nearly 500 acres and 67 acres of vacant farmland of mixed arable and livestock. There is ten and a half acres of woodland and a two-acre paddock.

other bedrooms, three bathrooms, a dining room, library. and other offices and rooms. The sale is being handled by Langley-Taylor of Edinburgh.

The four-star Culloden House Hotel, an 18th-century mansion which was Bonnie Prince Charlie's headquarters the night before he was forced to flee from the battlefield. was sold earlier this month by a local family to an American £3 million.

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# Blunkett threatens to woo Tory rebels on vouchers

LABOUR threatened yesterday to enlist dissident Tory MPs to wreck the Government's plans for an expansion of pre-school education unless ministers agree to negotiate an alternative to nursery

David Blunkett, Shadow Education Secretary, offered a bipartisan approach after the House of Lords dealt a potentially fatal blow to the voucher scheme on Monday. Peers voted through an amendment to the nursery education Bill to ensure that ministers report to Parliament on trial voucher schemes before extending them nationwide.

The voucher scheme, which offers parents of four-yearolds £1,100 towards the cost of place in a private or state nursery, got under way in April in Norfolk and the London boroughs of Wandsworth, Westminster and Kensington and Chelsea. But Mr Blunkett said that national implementation, planned for April 1997, would be "may-hem". He added: "We don't

want to pick up mayhem." He challenged Gillian Shephard, the Education Secretary, to join Labour in creating a new scheme without vouchers - which them and their children would use all available money to create new places. "Unless "

dissident in a four-line whip to defeat the Government."

Mr Blunkett said that without vouchers John Major's dream of a nursery place for every four-year-old whose parents want one could be realised. He went on: The Government has dissidents on its side who don't believe the voucher scheme is acceptable. There is nothing to lose now for various individuals who have burned their boats with the Government on other matters. We could raily them behind us in a victory for

common sense." Mrs Shephard accused Labour of "playing games with children's lives" and said that the Government planned to go ahead with its plans. "It is a cynical attempt by the Labour Party to wreck an initiative which widens choice for parents. As usual they are em-

of denying others those opportunities which so many of

enjoy."
She is understood to be Mrs Shephard takes up our considering trying to begin the offer, we will rally every Tory evaluation before the pilot schemes are completed, enabling the vouchers to be offered nationally in April as planned. But MPs said that the Government would commit political suicide if it tried to rush through a national scheme.

> Tories warned the Government that the introduction of a national scheme could be highly damaging if it coincided with the general election. Three former Tory ministers are among the party's back-bench critics of the scheme, One Tory MP said: "We must accept the Lords change and make a virtue out of necessity. If we are re-elected then we can introduce the scheme on the basis of proper evaluation, rather than rush through flawed changes."

Among the Tory critics are the former ministers Sir Malcolm Thornton, chairman of

the Commons Education Select Committee, George Walden and Nigel Forman. They will each need convincing that a national scheme should be introduced before the pilot has been completed and assessessed. Other Tories who have demanded full evaluation of the pilot scheme first are Iain Mills, David Sumberg and Sir Donald Thompson.

Ministers accused peers of wanting to rob parents of the power to exercise choice and claimed that the voucher scheme was already creating

new nursery places. Mrs Shephard said: "While we naturally take careful note of the vote in the House of Lords, the scheme is firmly set on course for national implementation. Delaying the introduction of the scheme would prevent half a million children and their parents enjoying the benefits of the choice offered through the voucher scheme."

Critics of the voucher scheme say that it will disrupt local authority nursery provision and waste millions of pounds on bureaucracy.



# Carey prepares Lords 'sermon' ' on moral values

By ALICE THOMSON, POLITICAL REPORTER

THE Archbishop of Canterbury is so concerned about declining public morality that he is to initiate an unprecedented full-day debate on it next month.

Dr George Carey will give warning that unless people return to old-fashioned Christian values society will crumble. He will say that morality has been privatised and individuals now feel no compunetion to act for the benefit of the community. Instead they are greedy and cynical.

The debate will "call attention to the importance of society's moral and spiritual well-being and in particular to the responsibility of schools". Dr Carey will criticise the Government for focusing too much on arguments about how to teach children mathematics and English while too little time has been spent on ethics.

He is evidently also angry that the Church's views on the controversial Family Law Bill, which has just been passed in the Commons, were not taken more seriously and he was not properly consulted on the divorce issue.

After five years as Archbishop of Canterbury, he is deter-mined to raise his profile, especially after moves by both John Major and Tony Blair to claim the moral high ground for their parties.

With the Torles being at-tacked for sleaze and Mr Blair insisting that the Bible taught him that he could never be a "self-interested" Tory. Dr Carey believes that it is his

turn to have a say. The debate will be held on July 5, just before the General Synod, and will enable Dr Carey to make it clear that he is prepared to weigh into politics. He will also emphasise that he is speaking

for all denominations. Many peers are sceptical about the debate. One Liberal Democrat said: "This will just be one, boring sermon from the archbishop but there is nothing we can do to stop him if he wants to navel gaze. Then we will get all the rightwing peers ranting about bringing back hanging and sex education in schools. It will be a self-indulgent farce. Morality should be left to

individuals' consciences." Right-wing Tories welcome the debate. They want to bring up pornography on television, the lottery and the dangers of violent video films. Other peers have already booked the dining room for hunch, determined to make a day of it, invite a guest and pick up their daily allowance

IN PARLIAMENT

debates, trade and industry questions, debate on sentancing policy; Northern Ireland Act (Interim Period Extension) Order, beckberich debate on swalability of anvionmental information. In the Lords: Hong Kong (War Wives and Widows) (No 2) Bill, committee; Trassure Bill, committee; Housing Bill, committee; Stansted Airport Aircraft Movement Limit (Amendment) Order.

# Why Blair should condemn futile beef row policy

Tony Blair is being too clever by half. In Bonn yesterday he promised fresh start for Britain in Europe. But this has been contradicted by his handling of the beef dispute. Labour's equivocal support for the Government's policy of non-cooperation smacks of the pseudopatriotism and opportunism

the Government and wrapping itself in the flag over non-cooperation. Mr Blair argued that "the entire British national interest is now engaged in trying to secure an agreement for the lifting of the ban by the Florence summit. Whatever our concerns, as a responsible Opposition, we will not undermine that national interest". But that is bogus, It course, it is in Britain's interest for the ban to be lifted as soon as possible. But the non-coop-

ban harder rather than easier. The Opposition wants to be able to criticise any likely outcome of the Florence summit. Mr Blair has repeatedly pressed for a timetable for lifting the ban - as have sceptics such as John Red-wood. But that has never been one of the Government's de-mands and is highly unlikely to be part of any EU deal. By pressing this case, Labour is putting a further obstacle in the way of lifting the ban.

Mr Blair's advisers dismiss these criticisms, almost delighting in the comparisons with Wilsonian deviousness. They argue that if Mr Blair had criticised the blocking tactics, the Tories would have attacked Labour as unportains attacked Labour as unpatriotic, undermining the British case and the like. As it is, his advisers claim that Labour cannot lose. It can criticise Mr Major either if he fails to agree a deal at Florence or for producing an inadequate package. There is even talk of Labour and the Tory sceptics uniting to bring down the Government on the issue, though that is improbable. But these advisers confuse

short-term tactics and longterm strategy, Mr. Blair has always prided himself on his candour and unwillingness to fudge. But he risks compro-mising this image by his ambivalence on beef. He of Harold Wilson at his worst. should have argued that the Labour has been trying to real national interest would have it both ways, criticising now best be served by reachnow best be served by reaching agreement with the rest of Europe over lifting the beef ban — not antagonising other countries by pursuing a futile and counter-productive policy of non-cooperation. That would have been consistent with the rest of his Bonn

Mr Blair has much in common with the Tory pro-Europeans: preserving the confuses ends and means. Of national veto on defence, immigration and strategy changes, expressing cautious support for a single currency as possible. But the non-cooperation policy is a negotiating tactic. It is not like sending troops into military action which can legitimately be described as a "national interest". It has made easing of the ban harder rather than easier. warning about the impact of regulations and non-wage costs will not please the unions, though he begged the question of how far this can be squared with signing the social chapter. His emphasis was very different from Robin Cook's Chatham House speech a fortnight ago, which embraced the expensive "so-cial Europe" of Continental

> his represents a genu-inely "new" Labour ap-proach both to Europe and economic policy. As he argued, domestic policy choices are constrained and solutions adopted by Right and Left may often overlap. The real dividing line may be more between those who respond to global change by urging isolationism and protectionism and those who believe in internationalism and engagement. Mr Blair has damaged this case, and his claims to be a new style of leader, by his shortsighted manoeuvring over

> > PETER RIDDELL

# Britain halts 75 decisions

BRITAIN has blocked 75 sub- of the blocked moves constantive measures in Brussels cerned regular European its policy of non-cooperation with the European Union over the ban on British beef, (James Landale writes).

According to a written Parliamentary answer, ministers and diplomats have refused to endorse a wide variety of measures in Brussels since

since the Government began business such as ministers agreeing a common position on a particular subject, planning future summits, or simply deciding to carry out a course of action.

Some measures were important, others were less so, including decisions on wheth-May 22, including plans to combat racism and fight fraud whether VAT should be imwithin the EU budget. Many posed on cut flowers,

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# Arabs warn

# of war as Netanyahu picks team

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN JERUSALEM

ISRAEL'S Prime Ministerelect, Binyamin Netanyahu, unveiled his right-wing Government yesterday amid squabbles in his Likud-led coalition and warnings of war across the Arab world.

He named 16 Cabinet members, but failed to resolve the problem of what post, if any, to give Ariel Sharon, the veteran Likud hawk and architect of election victory.

Mr Netanyahu was forced to take three extra portfolios — Foreign Affairs, Housing and Religious Affairs - temporarily into his own hands, as one of his main right-wing allies, David Levy, refused to take over the Foreign Ministry until Mr Sharon is given a

Mr Levy later held talks with Mr Netanyahu, and Likud officials were hoping for a solution to the dispute before the Knesset's vote of confidence in the new government,

.The ministers named were drawn from a coalition of the Likud bloc with three religious parties and two centre-right groups which together hold a comfortable 66-seat Knesset majority. Other leading Cabinet members include Yitzhak Mordechai as Defence Minister, Dan Meridor as Finance Minister, and Avigdor Kahaiani as Internal Security Minister. All are considered moderates in the right-wing

Mr Netanyahu appealed for the reopening of unconditional peace talks with Arab states. As he addressed the Knesset over repeated angry interventions by one of the few



Netanyahu: "We can reach a real peace"

Israeli Arab deputies. Jewish settlers called for the number of Jews in the occupied territories to be tripled to nearly 500,000 over the next four years of rule by the Likud

Heralding a new era in the Middle East, Mr Netanyahu pledged a very different ap-proach from the "land for peace" policies which won his Labour predecessor. Shimon Peres, the Nobel Peace Prize. Instead, he told deputies, the emphasis would be on sec-urity, with the freeze on settlement-building in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip

Addressing Syria, Lebanon and other Arab states, the ninth and youngest ever Israeli Prime Minister said: "Let us conduct direct negotiations for peace; negotiations that will carry the Middle East to an era of stability and prosperity, negotiations without pre-

conditions."
Mr Netanyahu said: "That is the key - there are no preconditions. Each side can present its concepts and positions without forcing the other side to accept these conditions in advance. We can reach a real peace with our neighbours."

He emphasised that the security of Israelis must be inherent in any accord, which must achieve a stable and viable peace, not a passing and temporary agreement".

The tough guidelines of his

new Government infuriated many Arab states and led Hanan Ashrawi, the Palestinian spokeswoman, to say: "Expanding settlements, annexing Jerusalem, not withdrawing from the Golan Heights are requirements for peace destruction, not peacemaking." Abu Ala, a close aide to Yassir Araiat, head of the Palestinian Authority, de-scribed the guldelines as "a declaration of war".

The outgoing Prime Minister, Shimon Peres, delivered a sor not to freeze the peace process, and to meet Mr

Arafat.

Reporter heid: Israel has confirmed that it is holding Ali Dia, a Lebanese reporter who works for the French news agency, Agence France-Presse (AFP), and that he has been interrogated over possible links to Hezbollah.

# Panama rejects drug allegations

BY DAVID ADAMS

MORE than six years after American troops invaded Panama to oust Manuel Noriega, the drug-trafficking dictator, the Government of Panama is again facing accusations of links to the drugs

The scandal has strained relations at a delicate stage in talks over a possible extension of the American military presence in Panama. Angry Panamanian officials have rejected the allegations as part of a disinformation campaign to smear the Government of President Balladares, a former political ally of Noriega. who is in a Miami jail. Some officials have likened the affair to events in Colombia, where President Samper has been fighting accusations that his party was funded by drug

traffickers. The Panamanian charges stem from the collapse in January of a politically wellconnected bank, Banaico, with debts of more than \$50 million (£33 million) to swindled depositors. Investigations have since disclosed that the bank was deeply involved in laundering money for Colombia's Cali cocaine cartel. One of the bank's senior officers was a leading figure in the ruling Democratic Revolutionary Party, and an important contributor to Senor Balladares's

1994 election campaign. American officials say they are worried by what they describe as the high level of corruption in Panama, lax banking and corporate regulations, weak customs controls, and a growing domestic drug abuse problem. There's so much money laundering in Panama, it's hard to know where to start," said Robert Gelbard, the Assistant Secretary for International Narcot-

feared Panama would be vulnerable to drug trafficking after US troops leave.

"Panama has to think of its future. The US will reduce its presence and if one considers that the American military presence has had a dissuasive effect fon drug cartels), one has to ask oneself what will happen to Panama?" he said.

Under the 1977 Panama Canal Treaty, the United States is due to hand over the 52-mile inter-oceanic waterway on December 31, 1999. Related deals call for the closure of American military bases, including the Southern Command HQ, the nerve centre of all US military operations in Latin America.

About 25 per cent of the area has already reverted to Panama, including two military bases last year. By the time the Southern Command closes next summer, there will be 4,400 American troops, a reduction of more than 50 per cent since 1992.

While there has been talk of extending a limited American military presence after 1999, formal negotiations have been stalled by political and financial considerations.

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Talk about a lingering American presence stirs Panamanian feelings of nationalism. The United States has played an influential role in local politics since 1903, when President Roosevelt engineered Panama's independence from Colombia. American troops came to Panama as part of the project to build a canal that would link the Atlantic and Pacific trading routes. They stayed on after the canal opened in 1914. justifying their presence as necessary to protect international commerce, first from Germany and its allies in the Second World War, and then n the threat of Soviet-



☐ YAACOV NEEMAN, Justice Minister: an Orthodox Jew, who handled the business dealings in the Jewish state of the late British media tycoon Robert Maxwell, Aged 54, he has been linked with the National Religious Party for many years. He is likely to be called on to mediate between secular and religious Jews because he is trusted by both sides.

A former director-general of the Finance Ministry, a position he held from 1979 until 1981, he is a specialist in corporate, financial, and tax laws. He is, therefore, likely to be called on to advise the Government on the reform and repeal of laws to create an economy that is more based on private enterprise. Mr Neeman is married, with six children, and lives in Jerusalem in the Jewish quarter of the Old City.



☐ NATAN SHARANSKY, Minister of Trade and Industry: has proved his mettle by securing concessions for the 600,000 new immigrants from the former Soviet Union. They are the backbone of support for the Israel Bealiya Party he founded this year. Mr Sharansky, 48, the best known former Soviet Jewish refusenik, set up the party on the tenth anniversary of his release from Moscow's Le-fortovo prison in an East-West spy swap.

He is likely to prove one of the most charismatic members of the Cabinet, where he will fight hard for the social issues in his platform. He is a friend of Binyamin Net-anyahu, shares his views on security issues and is certain to prove one of the strongest bulwarks in the Government against excesrive demands by the religious parties.



☐ YTTZHAK MORDECHAI, Defence Minister. Kurdish-born, he is in the classic mould of soldier turned politician. As the only general to head all three army commands -Northern, Southern and Central - he has experience of most security problems. Popular with his men, but less so among senior officers, he was Binyamin Netanyahu's chief campaign organiser. His gesture in joining Likud two months after Yitzhak Rabin's assassination was much

appreciated by the rank and file.

Awarded the Medal of Valour In the 1973
war, his courage is undeniable, but he has been accused of lacking original strategic thought and is noted for what the Jerusalem Report called "an almost childish inability to accept criticism".



leaning member of the Likud Party and one of the most talented men on the front bench. A friend of Yossi Beilin, one of the outgoing Labour architects of the peace negotiations with the Palestinians. Some observers here argue he has more in common with Labour than Likud, despite being regarded as one of the leading "princes" in his party.

A lawyer aged 48, he first came to prominence as Minister for Justice under the late Menachem Begin. It was in this role that he became regarded as too liberal by many of his Likud colleagues because of his concern for human rights, especially in the Palestinian territories and for the rule of law. Many would have been happy to see him in charge

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FROM ROGER BOYES IN BONN

HELMUT KOHL, the German Chancellor, gave the most important signal yet that he has transferred his affection from John Major to Tony Blair by giving the Labour leader an 85-minute audience.

Mr Blair's 24-hour trip to Bonn was remarkable for the way in which not only Herr Kohl but the whole German political establishment courted a man who has yet to win a general election. President Herzog discussed Europe with him for an hour; top businessmen thundered their applause as he delivered the Labour line on European monetary union; the Social Democrats feted him as the leader of the

"The fact Blair as Opposition leader was received by both the President and the Chancellor has caused a stir among political observers," said the Berliner Zeitung. "Government circles say he is already being regarded as Major's successor and that explained the unusual interest

Opposition leaders rarely see the Chancellor — Gennadi Zyuganov, the Russian presidential candidate, was snubbed only last month and if they do make it, they are granted between 35 and 45 minutes. Such was the case of Lionel Jospin, the French Socialist. Malcolm Rifkind, the Foreign Secretary, was recently granted 45 minutes. There has been a significant

shift in German attitudes towards Labour since the last Blair visit just over a year ago. Then the Labour leader set out his European credentials at the Social Democratic thinktank and met the Chancellor for a short session.

Mr Blair was determined on that occasion to show he was not prepared to surrender British positions on the national veto: the Chancellor was careful to praise Mr Major as thoughtful and clever".

This time there has been no public reference at all to the Prime Minister, who seems to have flickered in and out of the Bonn talks like Banquo's ghost. And while Mr Blair indicated that he was not going to be pushed around by the Germans over beef (on which he presented sharper conditions than those of the Government), his European repertoire — from the social chapter to monetary union pleased the Chancellor.

within his grasp and he is determined to be the man who introduces the single currency. "Kohl is coming to see Blair as the new Felipe González." That changes the context of his said a senior German official. personal politics. As he told "It is already obvious that he Mr Blair on Monday: "We need a Britain within Europe, just as Britain needs us."

Señor González was of a different generation from Herr Kohl and had funda-FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE ZEITUNG

strong that Mr Blair will be Prime Minister when Britain holds the European presidency in the first half of 1998, the crucial period for monetary union. Mr Blair appeared in Bonn this week like a young man wanting to impress scepin-laws. Within 18 months, however, the relationship may well be differently weighted, leaving Herr Kohl - buffeted by popular opposition to monetary union dependent on Mr Blair's help.

mentally different politics, but

he rarely disappointed the

German leader. It is by no means clear that Mr Blair will

The kinship between the Chancellor and European So-

cialists - Wim Kok of The

Netherlands, Jacques Delors,

the late François Mitterrand,

Señor González, the Italian

Centre-Left - is not merely a

matter of personal chemistry.

The Kohl vision of Europe

seems naturally attuned to European social democracy.

That fact alone has robbed

Germany's opposition Social

Democrats of any coherent

The red-carpet treatment for

Mr Blair is more than just a

statement of disillusionment

with the Major Government.

it reflects a sea-change that

has occurred in German poli-

tics. Herr Kohl, say insiders,

has now decided to fight the

The Chancellor believes his

final historic mission of

achieving monetary union is

Morever, the chances are

1998 general election.

alternative on Europe.

be as easy a partner.

As on earlier missionary visits to Bonn — such as that of Gordon Brown last month -Labour's sister party, the Social Democrats, are sidelined. Oskar Lafontaine, their chairman, had to wait patiently until Mr Blair had finished with the Chancellor for a longdelayed meeting.

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Relieved of command: General Grachev's departure will win "millions of votes"

# Loyal Grachev sacrificed to rescue Yeltsin

FROM THOMAS DE WAAL IN MOSCOW

THE way that Pavel Grachev clung to his post as Russia's Defence Minister became a saga that kept the country enthralled.

Widely reviled in the army. accused of corruption and responsible above all for military disasters in Chechenia. General Grachev, 48, had become Mr Yeltsin's longestserving minister.

Aleksandr Lebed, the general turned politician who finally engineered his downfall, said: "Pavel Grachev is personally loyal. In our country that is the main thing."

The decision to dismiss him will be extremely popular in the military. "Yeltsin. by removing Grachev. is rewarded by the gratitude of the army with hundreds of thousands of votes," the political magazine Itogi commented, "And then there are officers' famllies and conscripts and their parents. He will collect several million votes,"

The general's survival was due to his complete devotion to his boss. On two occasions he rescued the President in dramatic circumstances. During the attempted coup of August 1991, the former paratroop commander refused the orders of the leaders and

DISMISSAL

service he was made Defence Minister in May 1992. Then, during the bloody showdown with the opposition in October 1993, he agreed to use tanks to attack the parliament

building. But critics maintain the general's term in office was characterised by sleaze and stagnation. Military reforms failed to take place, generals fined their pockets and conscripts went hungry, they claimed.

The Moscow newspaper Moskovsky Komsomolets, which conducted a sustained campaign against General Grachev, alleged that he and his cronies got rich during Russia's military withdrawal from Germany. It dubbed him "Pasha Mercedes", a label that stuck with him.

When Dmitri Kholodov, the Moskovsky Komsomolets reporter who investigated the story, died in a bomb explosion in October 1994 the calls began for General Grachev to resign. But President Yeltsin spoke up for him in the strongest terms, and called him "the best Defence Minister that Russia and the Soviet

# Lebed becomes a force to be reckoned with

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN MOSCOW

A NEW political force was born in Russia yesterday after President Yeltsin appointed Aleksandr Lebed. a former army general and the third placed presidential candidate, to the

post of National Security Adviser. In a move which seemed certain to clinch the Russian leader's victory in his second-round re-election attempt next month, General Lebed agreed to serve under the President in return for a powerful new position as head of the

Presidential Security Council. The job will oversee the armed forces, the police and the internal security services, and General Lebed said he intended to broaden his powers to include fighting crime, reforming the army and cracking down on official

"This is the union of two politicians. victory in the second round run-off

NEW ALLIANCE

beaming President Yeltsin, who may be planning to groom his new ally as the heir to the Kramlin leadership. "Lebed's programme will enrich

The 6ft, chain-smoking former paratrooper wasted no time in flexing his muscles, sacking his long-time rival General Pavel Grachev, the unpopular but loyal Defence Minister. He was replaced, for the time being, by General Mikhail Kolesnikov, the chief of staff.

General Lebed. 46, said he had thwarted an attempt by five pro-Grachev generals to stage a mutiny in the armed forces to intimidate the

Experts believe that President Yeltsin's alliance has clinched his

election early next month against

Gennadi Zyuganov, the Communist Party leader. Although the Kremlin chief finished only three points ahead of Mr Zyuganov, his re-election campaign is in a much stronger position to

General Lebed predicted that 80 per cent of his 11 million voters would support his decision to take up his new post, suggesting they would also back President Yeltsin.

Opinion polls taken before the new alliance showed that about 30 per cent of Lebed supporters would vote for President Yeltsin next time. More than half of those who voted for Grigori Yaylinsky, the liberal leader, and even. a few of the supporters of Vladimir Zhirinovsky, the ultra-nationalist leader, will also switch their support to the

Explaining his acceptance of the job. the Afghan War veteran said he was carrying out promises he made to restore order in Russia and prevent bloodshed. "I was facing two ideas - an old one that has shed lots of blood and a new one which is being implemented very badly at the moment but has a future," said the general, referring to the choice of backing the Communists or the re-

formers. "I have chosen the new idea." The Communists could not disguise their disappointment, consoling themselves only by predicting that General Lebed's political career would be over before it had started.

☐ Yeltsin backed: Nursultan Nazarbayev, the President of Kazakhstan, in effect backed Boris Yeltsin's re-election attempt yesterday by calling on Russign voters to support democracy and market reforms. (Reuter)

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AS FOR so many Soviet

soldiers, the Afghan War was

a key experience in the life of

General Aleksandr Lebed. On

the one hand, it set him on the

path to first military, and now political, success. On the oth-

er. it began a process of disillusionment with Soviet

communism, and indeed with politicians in general.

As a fighting officer in

Afghanistan, General Lebed

rose to command a paratroop

battalion. Although he speaks

of his service there and his

unit with pride, the general,

who is married, makes no

effort to defend the Soviet

intervention. "They sent us in

there to kill and be killed with

no preparation, no knowledge

of the country, its society,

culture or history, hardly even

a proper map, and for no

sensible or clear objective," he

said. "It was a crime against

the army and the men who

In recent years, General

Lebed's anger over the Afghan

debacle has resurfaced in his

opposition to Russia's military

role in Tajikistan. As he said

two years ago, during a flare-up of that conflict, "I cannot

see why Russian soldiers are

helping one group of Tajiks kill another. What if we

change our mind and support

the other side? What will our

General Lebed was from the

start a bitter critic of the war in

Chechenia, which he has re-

peatedly compared to Afghan-

Aleksandr Lebed, the former Afghan War paratroop

boys have died for?"

Afghan veteran

turns his fire on

'pointless' wars

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ELECTION

from a sympathy for the

Chechens, whom he has

described as "parasites", and

more from an acute and

accurate foreboding of the

damage the war would do to

That has also been the

position of the last Soviet

commander in Afghanisian.

General Boris Gromov, who is

tipped to become Defence

Minister. With General Lebed

and General Gromov at the

head of the armed forces, there

might be some chance of a real

commitment to withdraw from Chechenia. However,

with regard to both Tajikistun

Lebed may find what many

critics of military interven-

tions have found: that it is one

thing to criticise from opposi-

tion, another to take responsi-

bility for withdrawal and

Afghanistan is also said to

have seen the origins of Gen-

eral Lebed's personal dislike

for General Pavel Grachev.

who was his commander

there. The story goes that

General Grachev once delib-

erately kept him on duty for

possible humiliation.

Chechenia, General

Russia.

test or punish him.

If that is true, then with the

removal of General Grachev

as Defence Minister this week.

General Lebed may be said to

have got his own back. It

remains for him to deal with

what he sees as General

Grachev's legacy of demorali-

sation, military corruption

and decay. The demoral-isation dates back to Afghani-

stan and has been aggravated

sian officers of unnecessary

and pointless military opera-

tions goes far beyond the two

generals. A recent opinion poll

of 600 Russian majors and

colonels, commissioned anon-

ymously by the US Livermore

National Laboratory, indicat-

ed that big majorities not only

opposed the future use of the

military to suppress secession-

ist movements such as that in

Chechenia, but even said they

would refuse to obey such

Western image of an aggres-

military; but it is backed by

anti-militarist attitudes now

current throughout Russian

society and is closely linked to

a passionate desire among

most young men not to do

military service. The origins of

that sentiment also lie partly in the casualties and suffering

Afghanistan.

sary loss of life.

the Soviet troops in

Herein, too, lie some of the

roots of General Lebed's polit-

ical appeal, for he combines

the image of a tough, patriotic,

disciplined soldier with that of

a moderate and restrained

commander who hates mili-

tary adventures and unneces-

In many ways, this is rather

close to the combination of attributes that made General

Colin Powell seem an ideal

candidate for President of the

United States. The resem-

blance is not a coincidence. General Powell's generation of American officers became more cautious and

thoughtful about military opcrations as a result of their own particular wartime expe-

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Afghanistan was Russia's

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drink themselves into oblivi-

on, or both. General Alek-

sandr Lebed looks like a man

who does neither. That could

explain his unmistakable ap-

immediately challenges you with his cold blue eyes, star-

ing down from his imposing

Meet him in person and he

peal for women voters.

All this is far from the

Acute dislike among Rus-

by events in Chechenia,

General Aleksandr Lebed at a pre-election meeting with his supporters. President Yeltsin yesterday appointed him National Security Adviser

Army strongman turns shining knight

WOMEN'S VOTE

handedly introduced some

sex appeal to the Russian

political forum. In a nation

with a serious military hero

culture, the girls always did like a man in uniform, and

Gennadi Zyuganov and Presi-

dent Yeltsin are hardly heart-

Sasha, as he is known. In his

last army posting, in

Transdnestr, women lay down on the runway to try to

stop his plane leaving when he quit. They said they feared

war would break out if he left.

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population realised when

they got a look at him, was

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General Lebed, as everyone

now knows, is the man of the

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# Italians reopen file on mystery of the Duce's death

he ghost of Mussolini returned to haunt Italy yesterday with the allegation that the dictator was shot not in an elegant villa by the partisan who later claimed the credit. but in a farmyard by Luigi Longo, who went on to become head of the Italian Communist Party in the 1960s.

Italy is only now emerging from the legacy of fascism and communism, 50 years after the end of the war. In April, a centre-left Government was elected which included the Party of the Democratic Left or PDS, the former Communists, for the first time. On the right, the ideological heir of Mussolini's Blackshirts, the Alleanza Nazionale, has transformed itself into a "post-Fascist" conservative force.

But Il Duce still has the power to stir controversy. Italians still point out the balcony in Rome from which he harangued the crowds. Above all, they remain obsessed with the manner of his death, which is still shrouded in mystery. There is no doubt that Mussolini and his mistress, Claretta Petacci, were captured on April 27, 1945, while trying to flee to Switzerland. They were shot the next day and strung up head down by piano wire from the roof of a petrol station in the Piazzale Loreto in Milan. According to the official partisan legend, they were killed by Walter Audisio, whose nom de guerre was Colonel Valerio, at a villa above Lake Como.

But in a book published yesterday Giorgio Pisano, a former neo-Fascist senator who has been investigating the Duce's death for 40 years, says that the killing took place not in the villa but in



Richard Owen reports from Rome on a new book about the mystery surrounding the death of Mussolini and his mistress in the Second World War's last days

a nearby farmyard, and that the man who pulled the trigger was not Colonel Valerio but Luigi Longo. a young Communist who headed the partisan Garibaldi Brigades. The partisan umbrella movement, the CLN (National



Mussolini and his mistress hang head-down in Milan Liberation Movement), which included the Communists, had agreed to hand over Mussolimi to the Allies alive, Signor Pisano says. But secretly the Communists wanted the Duce dead, fearing that if he was put on trial he would continue to rally Fascist opinion. Walter Audisio admitted the killing to protect Signor Longo, who went on to become a leading postwar politician.

Signor Pisano's account, The Last Five Seconds of Mussolini, draws on the testimony of Dorina Mazzola, now in her seventies, but who as a girl of 19 watched the early-morning drama from her window a few feet from the farmyard. Signora Mazzola says she heard shots as the partisans holding Mussolini captive fired at him inside the farmhouse. She then saw the bulky former dictator stagger into the yard, badly wounded, followed by his mistress, who was screaming.
According to Signora Mazzola, who

says she has relived the "nightmare memory" every day since 1945, the partisans tied the former dictator to a stable door and shot him seven times until he fell dead into the manure. They then put a balaclava helmet over his head and pulled him out of the yard, with Petacci clinging to his legs as be was dragged along. Still screaming.

and clutching a boot she had pulled off Mussolini's body, she tried to make a run for it, but was also shot dead. The biodies were washed and taken to the nearby villa for a fake execution before being taken to Milan to be displayed upside down.

The Italian press joined leading historians yesterday in calling on PDS ministers, who include Walter Veltroni, the Deputy Prime Minister, to open the Communist Party archives to establish whether Signor Pisano's account is correct.

According to The Last Five Seconds of Mussolini, one of the partisans involved had an expensive camera round his neck suggesting photographs may have been taken of the farmyard killing as well as of the piano-wire hangings in Milan.

Last year Urbano Lazzaro, the partisan who arrested Mussolini, said he believed the execution had been staged with corpses. Other accounts suggest that British special forces were involved and that Petacci was raped by partisans before being shot.

Angry judge: Agostino Quistelli, the presiding judge at the war crimes trial here of Erich Priebke, 32, the former SS captain, said yesterday that he was disgusted by allegations that he and a colleague on the bench were biased in favour of the German.

On Monday, Antonio Intelisano, the prosecutor, demanded the dismissal of the three-judge bench in the face of charges that at least one of the panel had said at the start of the trial that the verdict had already been decided in



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had an extramarital affair Kennedy had been dated to with William Holden, the film the first years of her widowhood. A forthcoming book will The allegations about Mrs Kennedy will be dismissed by state that Mrs Kennedy, whose husband John Kennedy some of her fans as needless was a relentless philanderer, muckraking, but others may also strayed. Christopher Andraw some comfort from the suggestion that she allowed dersen, author of Jack and Jackie, cites Gore Vidal, who herself some pleasures while was close to the Kennedys, as her husband was so often playing away from home. saying that Jackie Kennedy took Holden as her lover On the subject of the late

during a "brief affair" in 1955. President, meanwhile, Mr An-The Kennedys' marriage was dersen:identifies another postwo years old at the time and Kennedy: the actress Audrey Hepburn, Who an anonymous was still the handsome (and roaming) senator/ifrom source in the book saw leaving Mr Andersen also quotes a the Kennedys' Georgatown home very late at night former Kennedy aide, Roswell when Mrs Kennedy was out of

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Burghers make mince of Canada geese

> FROM QUENTIN LETTS IN NEW YORK

FEATHERS fluttered in a small town in upstate New York yesterday after officials acted decisively on a problem shared by much of Britain: what to do with the rising nuisance of Canada geese.

In Clarkstown, a normally quiet rural settlement, the local council rounded up a large num-ber of the birds and packed them off to the slaughterhouse. In a few days' time, packages of free goose meat will be offered to the town's

needy and elderly. The decision has led to much squawking, not only from the doomed creatures but also from local fainthearts who criticised the council for "danger-ous double standards". They said that the geese were "potentially tainted" and feared that "poor men, women and children will cat unregulated and uninspected flesh". A Coalition to Prevent the Destruction of Canada Geese was formed to co-ordinate

The alternative view, more commonly held by the practical people of Clarkstown, is that the free goose meat will be welcomed by people who саплот normally afford such delicacies. They see the scheme as a sensible way of reducing the numbers of Canada geese, which have flourished to near plague proportions and which leave a foul mess on the village green, play areas and public

Charles Holbrook, the town supervisor, said he had expected some protests but that it made sense to feed hungry people with meat that would otherwise have been thrown away. To demonstrate his faith in the goodness of the meat, Mr Holbrook will himself be sitting down to a supper of

# Security scandal deals new blow to White House

FROM TOM RHODES IN WASHINGTON

THE White House, reeling from a barrage of criticism over Whitewater and "Travelgate", rapidly reshuffled its personnel security office yesterday and effectively dismissed the man responsible for improperly requesting FBI background files on hundreds

of Republicans. On the eve of congressional hearings into the scandal, Craig Livingstone, director of the personnel security office, was given administrative leave as the White House prepared to appoint a new security chief in his place.

The White House, facing increasing Republican and internal complaints about invasion of privacy and misuse of the agency, has been desperate to avoid further political damage for the Clintons at a time when a damning Senate report on Whitewater has caused a downward surge in the polls for the President.

Criticism has come not merely from Republicans but also from Louis Freeh, the FBI director. Last week Mr Freeh described the White House requisition in 1993 and 1994 of FBI background documents on more than 400 people who had worked in previous administrations as "egregious violations of privacy".

Congress and Kenneth Starr, the independent counsel, begin today an investigation into the improper request for background checks. The White House has continued to portray the episode as an innocent bureaucratic mistake, in which legally protected background information was gathered on such Republican notables as James Baker, the former Secretary of State: Marlin Fitzwater, the former press secretary; and Tony Blankley, now the spokesman for Newt Gingrich, the House

"We have seen nothing that contradicts that view," said one White House official, who denied that Mr Livingstone had been disciplined. "But very clearly there is a need for a more senior management structure at the office."

man at the heart of the controversy, was being distanced quickly from any connection to either the President or Mrs

Clinton. The Republicans, alluding to the bad old days of J. Edgar Hoover, are asking whether Mr Livingstone had harnessed the powers of America's foremost law-enforcement agency for political ends. They said Mr Livingstone was merely the latest in a long line of scapegoats for the Clintons.

"Obviously they are going to throw anyone to the wolves they can to protect the President and First Lady and then act like nothing has happened." Dan Burton, the Indiana Republican on the House povernment reform and oversight committee, said.

Mr Livingstone, who had worked on the 1992 campaign and the inauguration had no background in security before his appointment as director in 1993. His only previous experience, it seems, was as a restaurant bouncer, although he has since claimed that he was once a public relations man for a casino in Atlantic City. During the campaign, Mr



Livingstone was always the overweight advance man, weighed down by bleepers and walkie-talkies, whose saunter gave the impression he was in the Secret Service There was little doubt, how-book hotels and ensure that ever, that Mr Livingstone, the campaign events ran smooth-

ly. Once in office, however, he had quickly enlisted the temfriend Anthony Marceca, a civilian sleuth with the Army's criminal investigation command, to help in processing the vast pile of security clearance forms at the White House. The FBI files built up in a small safe behind the security chief's desk. Both men now have emerged as the central figures in the affair.

Those who know Mr Livingstone well, and refer to him patronisingly as Craig Flintstone, believe even he must have realised he should not have had the list, but continucd to allow the files into the security office because of his love of intrigue and desperate need for acceptance.

Two years ago, Mr Livingstone said his main task was to remain unnoticed. "My job is to remain invisible." he said. "If I am around, something is That certainly has been the

case ever since. Mr Livingstone has been party to most of this Administration's bleakest moments. In May 1993, on the day that seven members of the Travel Office were dismissed. was he who wrote the memorandum barring them entry to the White House. When Vincent Foster, the deputy White House counsel, was found dead in a park outside Washington, Mr Livingstone had accompanied William Kennedy, the associate counsel, to identify the body.

Two Secret Service agents have since said they saw him leaving the lift beside Foster's suite with a briefcase and box of documents, but Mr Livingstone has always denied he removed any notes from the

Although the White House has tried to portray Mr Livingstone as clueless, it is a picture that does not match one offered last week by Gary Al-drich, a former FBI agent who spent five years assigned to the White House. In an article in The Wall Street Journal, Mr Aldrich described Mr Livingstone as a man taking from above.



Investigators search the charred wreckage of the Hills Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in Rocky Point, North Carolina, for clues to the arson attack

# American arson attacks claim four more churches

By Tom Rhodes

PRESIDENT CLINTON will meet governors of the Southern states in Washington today to debate his latest domestic crisis — a continuing arson epidemic that left a further four churches in flames within 24 hours.

Two black Mississippi churches only four miles apart were destroyed by fire in the early hours of vesterday morning while another two were razed in North Carolina and Georgia during the previous night. FBI and arson specialists

ere called into the Mississip pi hamlet of Kossuth to inves-

tigate the blazes at the Mount Pleasant and Central Grove Missionary Baptist churches but seemed unable to shed any light on what many suspect are more cases of racially inspired arson.

"We've got no eyewitnesses and no evidence," said James Cavanagh, an agent for the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms. This is getting disturbing. It is getting disgusting."
Earlier, the Hills Chapel

Missionary Baptist at Rocky Point, North Carolina, and the Pine Lake Baptist Church in Georgia, where the congrega- it means to be American."

tion is predominantly white. were destroyed by fire, adding to the growing caseload of nearly 40 church buildings that have been destroyed by fire in the past 18 months. Mr Clinton, who has devot-

ed much attention to the issue and visited the site of a burnt shell in South Carolina last week, issued another appeal. There is not another country in the history of the world that has valued religious liberty and values religious expression more than the United States," he said. "And this tears at the very heart of

#### NEWS IN BRIEF

#### Volcano ash disrupts air travel

Wellington: Clouds of thick volcanic ash from Mount Ruapehu grounded planes, closed five New Zealand airports and caused travel chaos yesterday. The eruption shot red hot rocks and debris thousands of feet into the air and tremors were felt 25 miles away. Towns and farms downwind to the north were blanketed by ash, but neither injuries nor damage have been reported. (AP)

#### Bomber charge

Washington: Theodore "Ted" Kaczynski, the reclusive former mathematics professor, has been charged as the Unabomber for four bomb attacks that killed two people and injured two others. (Reuter)

#### Call for curbs

Vienna: Jörg Haider, whose far-Right party won nearly a quarter of the votes in Decemher's general election, called for curbs on Muslim immigration, saying it threatened Austrian culture. (Reuter)

#### Laos clean-up

Bangkok: An American military team arrived in Laos to help to clear out bombs and other devices. Delayed explo-sions have killed or maimed thousands since American forces dropped them. (AP)

#### Refugees return

Monrovia: The Zolotitsa, a Russian trawler carrying about 400 Liberian and other African refugees, has returned to Monrovia after three weeks at sea. She was turned away by Ghana and Togo. (AFP)

#### Floods kill ten

Rabat: Six Moroccans, including a woman and her two children, and four French people died in storms and flooding in Morocco last weekend, MAP, the official news agency, said. (Reuter)

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Windhoek: A man threatening suicide by jumping from a crane outside Namibia's new Supreme Court was saved when officials promised him a the Prime Minister. (AFP)

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# The look isn't everything

young graduates should forget concepts and get back to the basics



IN THE 1970s, rock music gave us the concept album (who could forget groups such as Yes and Genesis?), and in the 1980s we were treated to conceptual art fremember those bricks). Now the 1990s offers conceptual fashion.

This year's crop of fashion graduates (the designers of iomorrow) who showed their end-of-course collections in London last week at Bhs Graduate Fashion Week — 25 catwalk presentations and exhibition space showcasing more than 1,000 students. culminating in a Gala Awards show - don't appear to be worrying about something as boring as clothes. For the most part, these young hopefuls are content to sell an idea, a mood,

The cult of the fashion stylist is to blame. The stylists (a phenomenon which emerged during the style-obsessed 1980s) can flaunt their imagination on the pages of glossy magazines and even on the catwalks when employed by international designers to give their collections that certain look. A stylist can take a dress, turn it inside out, team it with a hat by Philip Treacy and shoes by Manolo Blahnik and call it cutting edge. They can also take an exquisite gown by a couturier and make it look cheap and nasty. All in the name of fashion. The designer must hold that thought, ponii and me "indulgent".

Being a designer is hard work: it requires a great amount of training and the acquisition of many skills, not least business acumen and

A large number of the students who showed during the week appear to be little more than frustrated stylists - for them the look is everything. Fine if they are happy to relinquish the title, and status, of designer, but why waste so much time, energy and money giving them the opportunity to do so on a catwalk?

There is another, more worrying problem. Nouveau tailoring appears to involve little knowledge and few skills. Many of the collections featured tortured fabric twisted into hysterical costume dramas or scary sci-fi designs.

The students should be encouraged to look at the body dirough classes in life draw ing). They should also be compelled to study both historical designers and examine the work of contemporary designers — and not just the trendy few. Too many

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signers Alexander McQueen, Hussein Chalayan and Owen Gaster appeared over and

What is wrong with fashion education if it allows these students merrily to go on copying the work of existing designers with seam for seam precision? There must surely be a moment during their courses when the educators have the opportunity to point out this had case of deja vu. These young people should be encouraged to become individuals with fresh ideas which genuinely challenge rather than being content to be a second-rate McQueen. Even

McQueen agrees. There is some good news. Excitement was provided by those students who chose to design something new for men to wear. Perhaps the confines of the discipline provide a framework within which the fledgeling designers

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them something to kick against. Menswear is primarily a package of components — the jacket, the shirt, a pair of trousers. It is then the importance of the cut, colour, and choice of fabric which can

JOSEPH GRIMES: colourful

cuts are Miami nice

make or break a garment. inch of manufacture. All they Detail counts. need now is for some canny Those students who really businessman to approach them with a cheque book and stood out kept it simple. They

sign on the dotted line. identified a market, created something to suit their own particular taste and style, and cleverly packaged it within an

A nice surprise at the Royal College of Art show was a glimmer of hope for the future:

MARIA OSTROPOLSKI: carefully co-ordinated tailoring the collection of milliner Pip Hackett was dressed by firstyear student Karsten Fielitz. who also won the Lagerfeld Prize with an elegant satin dress. Fielitz is a name to watch. Something to look forward to next year, I guess.



ANDREW MOORE: fashion's latest big scorer



TOMEX SOWACKI: clean lines



future touch



tomorrow person

Photographs by CHRIS MOORE

#### SIMPLY THE BEST

ANDREW MOORE, Middlesex University. (Bhs Menswear Award winner), Football crazv. Colour-blocked suits, matched trousers with "go-faster" stripes and V-neck slipover tops. Moore is definitely Man of The Match.

ANDREW IBI, Middlesex University (8hs Collection of the Year). Exquisitely tallored sombre suits in black, navy and grey. stolen from the wardrobe of Malcolm X.

TOMEK SOWACKI, Ravensbourne College. Added creamy take fur collars on boxy coats wom over simply constructed toos. A touch of the future.

☐ NIC ROOME, Royal College of Art. Showed an ultra-slim siihouetta with some of the best strirta end sw featuring lizard logos and swimming pool file. checks.

U-JOSEPH GRIMES Royal College of Art. Offered a brightly coloured, stick look reminiscent of the heroes of Miami Vice.

RICHARD CAPSTICK Central Saint Martine. Gave a livesti look to blazers, wide trousers and pull-on polo tops in dusty darim. Bad tasts make

PETER HAWKINGS. Middlesex University. Used maps as prints and lacquared paper for shirts and jackets. Bright and decidedly bold.

KAREN PHELPS, University of Northumbriz (Bhs Womensweer Award winner). Used spooky china-doll styling for a range of delicate dresses in pale chiffon and dulled satin. Ruttles, lace and Tibetari fur. Little lackets feetured fur collars.

MARIA" OSTROPOLSKI, University of ~ tailoring with kuxurlous looking stik procade dresses in a beautifully CO-CONTRACT collection."

☐ SARAH WYATT Middlesex University. Showed slinky white Jersey out into long-line CORIS, WOOD OVER

simine dresses and flowing trousers. AMANDA LOUNT, University of Central. Lancashira. Layered chunky paimeal knitted. coats and cardigans over brocade anorales and trousers. Everga\*\*: sheepskin cost

thrown in. SHAIRON CHAN, University of Brighton. Used light layers over dusty taffeta. Dresset feature unexpected slashes and dipping hemlines...

ANDREAS: MELBOSTAD, Poyal: College of Art. Cleverly cut khaki leather and lemon, lime and cream stretch into a long and lean silhouette.



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# The new vulgarity is no joke

Strippagrams are almost a routine fixture at office parties these days, to the delight of the sniggering classes. But who really finds them funny?

really think it is going a bit uncouth as the lager lout spewing far to claim that having a strippagram manacle you to your office desk in full view of your taunting colleagues is to suffer the same frauma as a rape victim, but I concede that the difference is one of degree. It is, however, a crucial difference. Still, I shudder with sympathy for Gail Steele, who is trying to bring a case against her former employers for having organised, as an office jape, a male stripper to handcuff her, blindfold her and humiliate her in public.

My concern here, this time, is not so much whether such cases should be brought or what they say about society or

the balance of power between the sexes but, rather, the nature of these ghastly iapes themselves. Not so long ago it would have been inconceivable that a firm of opticians would arrange for a man to perform a striptease in their office, that he would be hired expressly to humiliate someone with licentious and overbearingly sexual behaviour. Now it's all but routine.

We are all expect-Nigella Lawson ed to find this funny. But this isn't so much a joke as an act of aggression. True, the two

can often be one and the same thing, but that doesn't explain quite why coarseness has become so socially acceptable.

Vulgarity has become the norm. It would be foolish to pretend it is, in itself, anything new. This is, after all, the country of the kissme-quick hat and the saucy seaside postcard. But the new vulgarity is different: it's malicious, it's mean, it wants to embarrass and discomfit. And, quite simply, there's more of it about. I don't mean in the sense that it's no longer just a way people have of letting their hair down in private, between themselves although that's true - but that it has permeated the whole of socihas permeated the whole of socicylindric barriers. But some barriers are
ety. Vulgarity has never exactly adestrable. There should be a
been a class thing: the Hooray additional made between what is
Henry at his bunfight is as private and public. Pretending

up his vindaloo in the curry house. But now crudity is the preserve of the respectable middle classes, too. And it's everywhere.

Driving behind a Volvo the other day, I noticed a sticker on its rear window which read: "Honk if you had it last night." A billboard poster for an unwired bra has the line: "Who says a woman can't get pleasure from something soft?" It may be impossible to object to this sort of thing without sounding prissy, but that's to the point in itself. Everyone seems happy, eager even, to talk about their most intimate sexual experiences in public now. Not to have the

appenie either to listen or to divulge is to show oneself as a prude. It's seen as a sign of repression. and ever since the Sixties people have been afraid of being thought of as inhibited and frigid.

Openness is the great god now, a noholds-barred honesty the Holy Grail. I an all for openness and honesty, but i cannot see why that sanctions the undig-nified spectacle of constant self-exposure. To your own self be true, by all means: but some-

where along the line that has been construed as dictating that you should talk freely about your sexual history to any one who asks, or walk down the streets in your underwear. If you wish to keep private matters private, you are treated as if there were something psychologically suspect about you

The new vulgarity is about as specious as the new classlessness: it's a phoney stratagem. Both stem from the same misunderstandings. Both are about reducing everything to the lowest common denominator. There's a fake egalitarianism at play here. Distinctions are seen to be bad: lack of distinctions good. Break down those barriers, all barriers, any



The strippagram: Earl Thomas, hired by office colleagues

that such a distinction can only be hypocritical - and that is the claim made - is self-deluding phooey. Vulgarity is one thing: the attempt to ennoble it quite

The new vulgarity is often described, with varying degrees of rueful fondness, as laddishness, But laddishness at some level suggests friendliness, even if it is a boisterous, weigh-heighing and frankly rebarbative sort of friendliness. Everyday vulgarity isn't friendly.

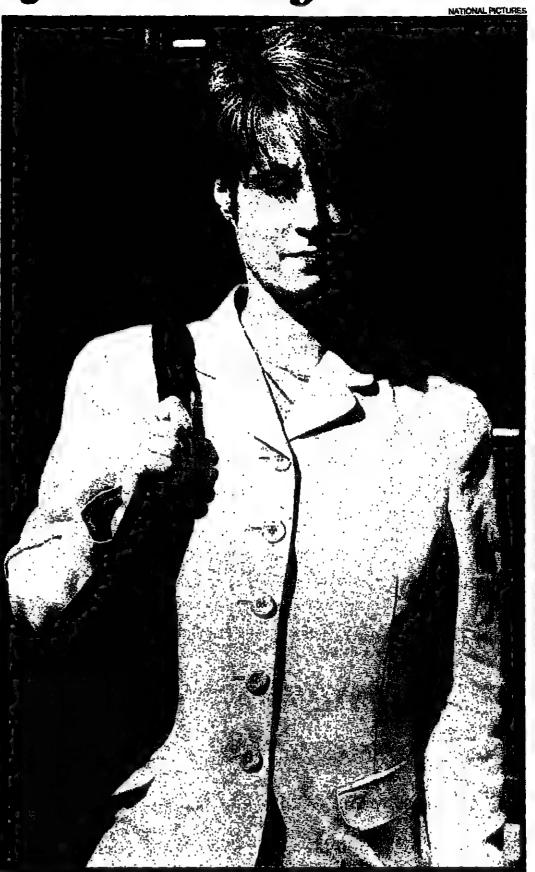
There is something odd in thinking that any form of embarrassment is just a good laugh. Take Red Nose Day, and all that, I don't for one instant criticise what is done. the charitable work, the good intentions and the good deeds: but I find myself appalled by the jolly jape-ishness. I'd rather give my bit without having to turn myself into clown or witness other people

Vulgarity always carries with it some notion of pretentiousness. The affected "refained" accent, the swags and furbelows of petit bourgeois aspiration — these have customarily been despised as vulgar. But if the old vulgarity was seen as the province of those who vainly wished to appear better than they were, the new vulgarity insists that we must be worse than we are. I do not use worse in a class sense - ,1 don't believe in stations in life or any of that - but

this crude embracing of all that is coarse, undignified, sniggering and prurient is a tremendous admission of bad faith.

It's the sniggering quality that is so very unnerving. In the Sixties, people wanted to be open because they felt that the repressiveness of the Fifties, and before, had led to a society of snickerers. Get rid of repression and the age of the double entendre would be dead. But it hasn't happened. We are, as a society at any rate, less repressed than we used to be. But if anything the sniggering has increased. Prurience is everwhere: sex is equated as sleaze. Now, one doesn't want to sound all French and precious about this, but there is something spectacularly seamy about the lavatorial jokeyness of any public discussion about sex. The tabloid sensibility - which,

broadly speaking, is the popular sensibility - is uncouth, and insists that we all be uncouth, at pain of charges of hypocrisy. Mandi Norwood, the editor of Cosmopolitan, questioned about the sexual obsessions of women's magazines (recent coverlines: Girls Who Like Girls, The Man Who Teaches Women to Orgasm, My Lover Left Me For My Brother) explains that "voyeurism exists right across the media and people are reacting very positive-ly". The sad truth is, she's right. But there's no point criticising the reality: the awful thing for all of us is that that is what reality is like.



The victim: Gail Steele, who was not amused at being manacled to her desk and blindfolded

# Norman conquest of Dr Sex

THE Spanish writer and psychologist Elena Ochoa — the "ch" is pronounced as in cheque-book - was introduced to Freud at 13. Twenty years later, she met the muchmarried Sir Norman Foster and Freud obviously came in - Spanish siren and British architect are to wed. Señora Ochoa, like most Tunku Varadarajan on a British architect and his Spanish siren

Spanish women of today, has dyed blonde hair. Immensely hotogenic, she cut a striking dash on television some four years ago when she hosted a programme called Hablamos

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de Sexo (Let's Talk Sex). A professor of psychology at a Madrid university, blessed with what Spaniards call a pico de oro - the gift of the gab, she was quickly dubbed Dr Sex and talked her way each week into the national

subconscious. SWIFTCALL Sir Norman is marrying a rather frank woman. Her programme, ground-breaking for still-puritan Spain. dealt in considerable detail USA 10P with such matters as orgasms, G-spots, erections, masturba-AUSTRALIA 20p tion, impotence, frigidity, sex aids, homosexuality, adoles-INDIA 60P cent sex and sex between pensioners. Señora Ochoa's JAPAN 40p success was due more to the seriousness with which she addressed these issues than to

> simple prurience COLOMBIA 70P viewers though there was ISRAEL 68P doubtless quite a IRELAND 20p lot of that, too.

Spanish "Masters and Johnson" swiftly became a fixture in Spain's per min countless, glossy revistas de corazorz, or gossip magazines. They dote on this coquettish intellec-

tual, whose skirts are as short as her doctorate was long. "Her forthcoming marriage to British architect Sir Norman Foster, one of the richest men in the world, will be a civil ceremony in London," cooed one of them earlier this week. The story was accompanied by pictures of Sir Norman and Señora Ochoa (both looking stern after a possible brush with paparazzi) in Granada, "enjoying together the Andalu-

sian city's charm and beauty". Nearly a quarter of a century younger than Sir Norman, Senora Ochoa has just obtained a divorce from another much older man, the Catalan essayist and bon viveur Luis Racionero, to whom the Spanish press refers, with characteristic exaggeration, as a philosopher". After his divorce, Señor Racionero told Hold magazine that he was "sad and depressed", but that

"life goes on". Life goes on for Senora Ochoa, too, presumably in

Sir Norman now is three years old, and she has lived in London for some time. "I am an angiophile," she confessed to a Spanish reporter recently, relishing every possible con-notation of that word.

Sir Norman has recent experience of divorce too, having disentangled himself from his second wife, Sabiha, in London last August. Señora Ochoa is as different from "the Begum", as the Pakistani Sabiha is known, as Madrid is from Lahore. She is amiable, for a start, while the Begum was "insufferably grand", to use a phrase directed at her in a 1993 court battle in which she sued HM Customs and Excise for "slander

by conduct" and lost. Señora Ochoa is also a celebrity in Spain — as Sir Norman is, after a fashion, in Britain — and this should bring an important balance to a high-profile

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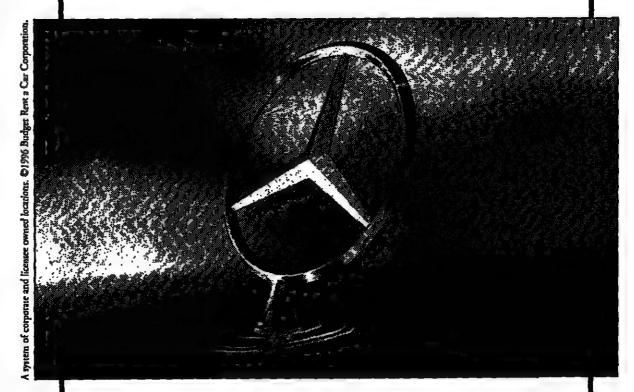
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regular column in the Sunday colour magazine of El Pais, the Madrid Norman is daily, although she is often guilty of froth-mongering. Her last column began: "One of the stories I am going to tell you consists. in telegraphic terms, in the fol-

lowing: gentleman rich in success - private and public - with stupendous woman for wife ... " On another occasion, she penned this fulsome line in a love story: "We kept our secret, caressing it as we would some golden velvet. The only external sign that could give us away was the mother-of-pearl seashell that you gave me, and with which you swore eternal love."

BUT Señora Ochoa has aiways combined these excursions into well paid pap with her more scholarly pursuits as a psychologist. She has written extensively on schizophrenia and is working on a book on Alzheimer's disease. As fortune would have it, one of her academic papers took her to Cambridge, where she first met Sir Norman. After that, it was adios Sigmund Freud, welcome Frank Lloyd Wright. There's nothing like a good British building to turn a Spanish woman on.

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Men do behave badly

our swearing

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sit here, and I type "f\*\*\*". The Times typesetter sits there, and he sets "f\*\*\*".

And what do you, wherever you are

sitting, read? Of course you do. You do not

read "flan". You do not read "frog". You do not read "file". You do not even read "fasterisks". You look at "f\*\*\*, and there in your head is the only word it could be. That is part of "f\*\*\*s" charm: in this era when anything goes and almost everything has gone. "f\*\*\* is a delicate runic nod towards

past proprieties, at least as far as The Times

Or, rather, as far as The Times is concerned with hacks like me were The

Times to quote, say, Philip Larkin, then it would happily reinstate the three asterisked letters, since art has absolved them of

conspiracy to upset. This does, of course, upset me a little: I have sometimes, in the

stilly watches of the night, teased myself by

wondering whether the day would ever come

when The Times considered me enough of an artist to allow me similar licence, but I have

always known the dusty answer.

Or rather, I have always known it until this week. Now I am not so sure; but that

uncertainty has nothing to do with any

unlikely change in my status, what it has everything to do with is the likely change in

the status of "f\*\*\* itself. To us now enter Martin Clunes, star jug-eared wag of the popular BBCl sit-com. Men Behaving

Badly, for the moment has come for him to be the star of this column, too. Because,

though Mr Clunes may look as though he was kneaded together by the master plasticinier who gave us Wallace and Gromit, he is in fact very much his own man.

We know this because he is even more

famous than Philip Larkin for using "f\*\*\*\*

(having used it most famously live on TV)

and now stands on the threshold of, quite literally, yet greater (\*\*\*\*ing stardom. For to-morrow, a new series of Men Behaving Badly starts on BBC!, but at the later time of

9.35 pm, so that, in the enthusiastic words of

Mr Clunes to umpteen interviewers over the

past few days, "there can be a lot more

swearing". And though atypically coy about whether "f\*\*\* would be uttered this time around, he confidently promised that it very

soon would be, because "before much longer it will be acceptable even in programmes for

quality newspaper. Only a word, Mr Clunes? What the hell, forgive me, does that

mean? Not only is no word only a word, but "f\*\*\*" is a very special word indeed, which is

precisely why I am horrified at the notion of

its being rendered so unspecial that Blue

Peter presenters will before much longer be

telling their infant fans that this is one 1

made a bit f\*\*\* ing earlier. But lest you jump

to any conclusions about what it is that

horrifies me, let me tell you what makes

It is that it is one of the tiny handful of real

expletives left. Oaths, Mr Clunes, are a

diminishing resource. They are a threatened

species. They teeter on the brink of extinc-

tion. Once, there were thousands, until

profligate and thoughtless usage killed them

off. Once, if a man banged his thumb with a

hammer, he cried "Damn!" This, of course,

upset bystanders who hitherto had heard

nothing worse than "Darn!", but pretty soon

even children were crying "Damn!" without getting an ear clipped, which meant that if

thumb-hammerers were adequately to ex-

press their feelings, something earthier — as it were, "Sod!" — had to be pressed into service. As it did in all those other human

situations where this pressure or that -

rage, urgency, despair, dissent, all the rest of

man's vast unstable range - needed to vent itself in that very special emphasis which

And so it went on, until now they have all but vanished. And when they have vanished

utterly, as they will if Mr Clunes has his way,

we shall not be able to make any new ones.

any more than we are able to make new

dodos. Britons will have, in extremis, noth-

ing left to shout. That, and not for the prissy reasons normally advanced, is why the BBC

must vigorously resist. That, too, is why The

Times must never allow me one jot more

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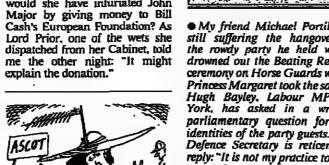
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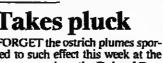
displeased her more." There are even those who believe that Lady Thatcher may have caught a glimpse of the Birthday Honours List before it was officially published. Why else would she have infuriated John Major by giving money to Bill Cash's European Foundation? As

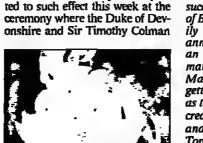




ABSENT yesterday from Ascot was the Heinz tycoon and victorious owner Dr Tony O'Reilly. The former rugby international is under doctor's orders to cut down on globe-crossing, so he missed his two-year-old colt Verglas romping to victory in the Coventry Stakes.

An infection of the inner ear also





TOP TTP for moral indignation at this year's Edinburgh Fringe lestival is a one-woman exhibition of

Garter. The feathers to top any hat this year should come from succulent farmyard geese.

Master milliner Philip Treacy.

whose customers include the smartest in the Royal Enclosure at Ascot, has developed a meringue-like titler out of goose feathers. Look out for it on Ladies' Day. The raw material is easy to get hold of and surprisingly versa-tile," he explains. "Curled, they look just like lilies."

• Donald Trump is holding an attic sale. After the extraordinary success of the sale of the Marquess of Bristol's artefacts from the fam-ily home in Suffolk. Trump has announced that he too is to hold an auction of chattels from his mansion at Seven Springs and Mar-a-Lago. Christie's says he is getting rid of the knick-knacks so as to modernise the vast property, creating "a world-class golf course and social club" at the mansion. Top draw is likely to be a cut-glass chandelier in Louis XVI style, val-

#### Scots shocks

the Kama Sutra. A Japanese-Indi-

Howard's end: escape from crime

Harsh sentences

do deter, says

Elizabeth Noel

n penal policy, the ride appears at last to be turning against the liberal orthodoxy which has held sway for a generation. A more practical consensus is emerging in favour of making more obvious the link between the seriousness of an offence and the severity of the sentence. Even so, there will be a predictable chorus of opposition to Michael Howard's proposal for mandatory minimum sentences, outlined in his White Paper, Protecting the Public, which will be debated today in the Commons. These will affect those convicted for a second time of violent and sexual offences, and for those convicted for a third time of dealing in hard drugs or

domestic burglary.

The Home Secretary's critics argue that his sentencing proposals simply amount to a public relations exercise which will do little to reduce crime and may even exacerbate the problem. But there is every reason to believe that his proposals will make sense to the ordinary public and — paradoxically, but most importantly — to criminals

Some senior judges believe that habit-Some senior judges believe that habitual criminals are more likely to be deterred by the risk of detection than by the threat of longer in prison. Though familiar, this argument depends on a curious logic, since the threat of detection only becomes significant when it leads to a substantial penalty. For instance, most drivers have broken the legal speed limit, but the vast majority never drive above 100 mph, not only benever drive above 100 mph, not only because of the safety risk, but because they believe that if caught they could well lose their licences. If a burglar or armed robber knew there was a 100 per cent chance of detection, but the penalty turned out to be negligible, the certainty of detection would become irrelevant, as would the deterrent.

Most criminals understand only too well the penalties attached to different criminal offences. Prisoners are entirely candid in their explanations for why they have switched from burglary to shoplifting, from thieving to cigarette rackets, from stealing to handling stolen goods. They have changed their area of speciality because the penalties for these offences are lighter. Where possible, most criminals (like most businessmen) opt for activities in which the profits are reasonable and the risks are low.

I remember one immate who had been regularly smuggling cigarettes from Belgium to Gateshead. Finally, he was caught and given a three-month prison; sentence. To him, this short indignity was a fair swap. Smuggling, after all, had paid for "some really great holiday: with the kids". But he was not prepared to break the law in instances where the prison sentence was more arduous. The risk-reward ratio was unacceptable.

For many career burglars, the occasional stretch "inside" is an acceptable occupational hazard. Home Office statistics show that the average Crown Court sentence for a persistent burglar in 1993-94 was a little more than 19 months, barely three months more than that handed down for a first offence. Can it be right that a persistent offender, responsible in some cases for hundreds of burglaries, should serve a sentence scarcely more severe than that of a first-timer? If you are a burglar with seven or more convictions, there is only a one in four chance that a Crown Court will send you to prison at all: And your chances of escaping custody are considerably better in a magistrates'

The search for alternatives to custody — central to the liberal orthodoxy — culminated in the Criminal Justice Act of 1991, which stipulated that judges should not consider previous offences when handing down sentence. This achieved its desired aim of stabilising — and at one point reducing — the prison population. But it also meant that many habitual criminals had little to fear. That Act represented the triumph of officialdom over common sense. Conservatives should

now admit that it was a failure. Comparisons have been made between the Home Secretary's White Paper and recent developments in America. In the first six months after Washington State introduced "three strikes and you're out", murders fell by 10 per cent, rapes by 18 per cent and assaults by 4 per cent. Even hardened criminals were visibly chastened by the new rules. The director of Seattle's sex offender registration programme has said that some criminals are leaving the state, and that others are taking up drug and alcohol treatment they had refused in prison. Inmates at Seattle's King County Jail said they thought the new rules "unfair", but every single one said they would think twice before commit-ting a third "strike". Several states are pursuing prison building programmes and introducing longer sentences for persistent criminals. In Texas, this approach has delivered a 30 per cent reduction in crime since 1988, and the serious crime rate is at its lowest for two

Michael Howard has been careful to avoid the less satisfactory aspects of some of these sentencing models, in particular by ensuring that his proposals are targeted. A humane sentencing structure should offer an escape route from crime, but the Home Secretary's first objective must be to protect the public from those who do not have any inclination to change.

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# Death of a Peace Process

erhaps it is an ill wind that blows no good. Perhaps the car bomb, the suction blast, the glass storm, the mangled steel and bleeding skulls of Manchester may induce a change of heart, a turning point on the famous road to sanity. I refer not to the Irish Republican Army. That is a

hopeless case. I refer to the rest of us. Ten years have passed since Margaret Thatcher signed the Anglo-Irish agree-ment at Hillsborough. Her intention was to marginalise the IRA from Ulster politics. With the co-operation of the Irish Government, sectarian violence would diminish. That would open an opportunity for political reform, a "rolling" withdrawal of British rule and perhaps even the reunion of Ireland. An industry of diplomacy and security sprang into being. The great and good indulged in a flatulence of dialogue. Scepticism was damned. Tough guys were refused dinner. Americans be-

haved even worse than usual. The policy failed and is long dead. The cadaver has been slapped, spoken to reetly, put on life-support, propped up in its coffin. Three years ago, in 1993, John Major changed his tactic. Rather than marginalise the IRA, he decided to be nice to it. He strapped the dead policy to his horse and sent it back into battle. like the corpse of El Cid. The corpse has totally disintegrated. Even its ghost has

At the time I thought Mr Major's gamble was a mistake. The ceasefire was no more likely to last than previous ones. The Government was putting the IRA on a pedestal and vastly boosting its prestige. The endgame - talks leading to devolution - was inherently unstable. What was canonised as the Peace Process had become an end in itself. When a politician uses the word process, we do

well to stop our clocks. The IRA made no such mistake. Its goal is Irish reunification, not a rotating seat on an Ulster tourism committee. Last year's "framework document" offered only more committees. True, a ceasefire happened and Mr Major spun out the Peace Process to the point at which, a year ago, the sceptics became uncertain. Had the IRA really been bamboozled by The Star Spangled Banner and the prospect of a Stormont salary? After a century of fighting the British, had it really changed its spots?

It had not. The Hillsborough strategy should have been warning enough. It demanded swift movement to political devolution, irrespective of the antics of Britain's Cabinet is the principal obstacle

to the real process of peace, which

will never come from appeasing the IRA

the IRA. This did not happen. The security lobby, whose ability to immobilise change in Ulster equals that of the IRA. won out. I lost count of new Secretaries of State who would sink into a Stormont armchair, flick the Ulster fluff from their trouser-legs and assure me that ending violence was a precondition of political progress. British ministers loved soidiers. They talked of "defeating the IRA" as if they were dealing with Rommel in the Libyan desert. They would constantly claim that the tide was turning, the IRA was "exhausted with the fight". Oh those reassuring spies, that high-grade

intelligence. This gave the initiative to the gunmen, and they have not lost it. The one novelty since the Docklands bomb has been an apparent readiness by the Cabinet to proceed with constitutional reform without a further ceasefire. It could have

done that at any time in the past decade. The one lesson the IRA has learnt over these two years is that a British Government only jerks to attention at the sound of a bomb. The Cabinet's timing, its compromises, concessions, phraseology have all reacted to the rhythm of the bombing. A policy that had an IRA ceasefire for a heart was bound to die with the death of that ceasefire. That is not scepticism but

views on Northern Ireland are those, I believe, of any liberal ( abhor this week's talk from the Right about internment, a "security clamp-down" and of tipping the wink to the loyalist paramilitaries. Parliament's panic reform of the Prevention of Terrorism Act over Easter was useless and demeaning. On Monday I came close to smashing my television as I watched ITN doing the IRA's job by intoning: "Who knows how long it will be before a 13-year-old feels safe to go shopping in Manchester again?" If journalists play the terrorist's game, the next step will be censorship. Like most Britons, I instinctively want the Province to take back its squalld politics and

and British civil liberties. that change cannot be left to a body such as the IRA's army council. That was the error after Hillsborough. The error

> money was idiotic. It gave Mr Adams publicity and votes. It could never change the IRA, because it did not

deliver a united Ireland. Eventually it was bound to undermine the Adams

Saturday. IRA violence will not disappear for a long time. In Spain, the Basques have been given virtual self-rule. That has not stopped them killing. When "the families" can no longer find a reason for killing outsiders, they kill each other, as the Sicilians have always done and as the IRA has done of late. It is in the tribal blood. Violence, vendetta and gangsterism take generations to work out of a community. Ask the New York Police Department. The revival of local politics can squeeze this culture, perhaps marginalise it and reduce its traumatic impact. Political inertia - in the case of Northern Ireland, ossification - does the opposite. It sets violence on a plinth and pours libations to it. It hands gun-

disappear, to stop wrecking British cities Yet liberalism drew the line at the Downing Street declaration of 1993. Ulster's future may lie in self-government and in a new relationship with Britain and the South. That must mean constitutional change. But the timing of

grew monstrous in the negotiations that preceded and followed the 1994 ceasefire, the Hume-Adams deal and the cynical Clinton-Adams deal. Pumping the IRA full of oxygen and

generation of Sinn Fein leaders and bring a new group into the ascendancy. That group would call Mr Adams in from the cold, as it did in Manchester on

men the initative. For a decade the IRA, a minority within a minority, has been

et there is a second peace process under way in Northern Ireland, to which I have often referred before. It is still running, and in far better shape than the one with capital letters. It reflects the commercial and cultural renewal of Ulster, based on public money and the reduction of sectarian conflict by means of "ethnic cleansing". Over the past ten

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A SECOND ROUND...

years, the two communities in Northern Ireland have diverged, vacating territory and partitioning the Province along religious lines. There is some evidence that district politics is reviving on the basis of stronger segregated majorities, strong enough to show some tolerance to minorities. Ulster west of the River Bann is now all but a Catholic state-within-a-state. There is no reason why this peace process working from the ground up-

given the keys to the future of the

Irish and American Governments - has

not been one of optimism or consensus

or giving peace a chance. It has not been

a talks policy and certainly not a Peace

Process. It has been a brave but stupid

gamble with appeasement. The frame-

work proposals now before the gather-

ing at Stormont are not new. The same

dreary cast has pondered the same dreary power-sharing scheme for years. Only an idiot could possibly have

thought that summoning Senator

George Mitchell as chairman of the

peace talks would lead to anything other

than a Unionist walkout. What has an

American politician to do with reorder-

ing local government in Britain, or even

with bilateral relations between two

European Union states? Everyone at

Stormont should go home.

Recent British policy - and that of the

wards should not be developed into fully devolved local government. It is the one grassroots gain that can be credited to two years of relative calm. The IRA appears to have no wish to recommence sectarian violence within Ulster. Sinn Fein is working alongside its old enemies on local councils. There is no need for the histrionics, exclusions and posturing of Stormont for this voyage to

local democracy to proceed.

The principal obstacle is the British Cabinet. It wants victories, deals, hand-shakes and signatures with big names up in lights. It has a necrophiliac obsession with the Peace Process, but cannot see the real process of peace, alive but in need of its sustenance.

# Howe's that?

to be appalled by the Queen's Birthday Honours List published on Saturday. In what many regard as a direct snub to Her Ladyship, John Major has appointed her mortal enemy, Geoffrey Howe, a Companion of Honour, the highest accolade a Prime Minister can grant.

The CH is usually reserved for distinguished artists, thinkers and elder statesmen. Previous recipients include Sir Alec Guinness, Sir Michael Tippett, "Dadie" Rylands and the late Lord Goodman. Thatcher conferred one on the Nobel prizewinning economist and freemarket guru Friedrich Hayek.

Not only does she believe that Lord Howe of Aberavon has yet to achieve elder statesman status, but she is also concerned that he is still actively involved in British politics. He was tipped to succeed Lord Mackay of Clashfern as Lord Chancellor if the divorce Bill had been thrown out, and he acts as a spokesman for the Europhile wing of the Tory party. To add insult, it was his Commons speech that precipitated Thatcher's downfall



■ My friend Michael Portillo is still suffering the hangover of the rowdy party he held which drowned out the Beating Retreat ceremony on Horse Guards where Princess Margaret took the salute. Hugh Bayley, Labour MP for York, has asked in a written parliamentary question for the identities of the party guests. The Defence Secretary is reticent in reply: "It is not my practice to give such information."

forced him to pull out of the glittering ball at the Dorchester on Monday night in aid of the Ireland Fund, of which he is chairman. Yesterday he was heading for his Irish home to recuperate, and there is now concern about the future of his lavish parties at the Irish Derby and the Heinz 57 Stakes. Friends assure me, how-ever, that they are still dead certs.

#### Takes pluck FORGET the ostrich plumes sported to such effect this week at the ceremony where the Duke of Dev-



Feathers flying at Ascot



Instant Kama: Shakti

an dancer by the name of Shakti is planning, with a troupe of assistants, to act out its tips. Her show is played down as

pretty suggestive" by a festival organiser. But Moira Knox, a Tory councillor and battle-hardened veteran of the Fringe's moral majority, is sharpening her knitting needles. I can't believe people want to see this stuff." she says. Others must speak up. One or two of us bleating isn't enough."



#### **PUSH-ME-PULL-YOU**

Blair is facing two ways on Europe

Tony Blair's speech to German businessmen yesterday was one of which the Prime Minister himself might have been proud. No expression of support for a policy was complete without a countervailing warning. Clichés ran amok: Britain should be "succeeding in Europe not failing, winning not losing, walking tall, not skulking on the sidelines". By the end, observers could not decide whether the Labour leader was leaning towards enthusiasm or scepticism. Like John Major, Mr Blair is proving adept at telling each side what it wants to hear.

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On the one hand, we are told, "Britain should take its proper place as a leader in Europe" rather than being "reduced to the margins of influence". On the other, "you should not expect us to agree with everything that comes from Bonn or Brussels". On the one hand, "we do not seek to merge our national identities into an international superstate"; on the other, "we seek a European and global framework for key decisions that affect all our lives".

Mr Blair may be right in judging that mood music is important. It is easy to forget the relief with which Mr Major was first greeted, by Helmut Kohl in particular, when he assured his EU partners that Britain wanted to be "at the heart of Europe". But the reality of Britain's position soon caught up with Mr Major, as it will with Mr Blair.

It was on the single currency that the Labour leader was most ambiguous yesterday. In principle, he said, it could have benefits. He would judge the decision on economic grounds. But his definition of what constituted "economic" seemed to include much that is political and constitutional. He warned that, if the economies linked by a single currency were not "genuinely and sustainably convergent". there would be a risk to weaker economies and especially to jobs. "The result could be a reaction amongst the people that could be severe, nationalist in tone and dangerous."

This is precisely the reaction that makes us so wary of a single currency, whether or not Britain is a member. Mr Blair must know that the chances of Europe's economies becoming "genuinely and sustainably convergent" in the short, medium or even long term are remote. The dangers of which he speaks are, therefore, very real. And they are not merely economic. Once governments lose the tools to remedy such economic suffering, voters start to become restless, When they realise that the Opposition too is similarly impotent, they begin to wonder what use is their vote. Democracy is thus made vulnerable. Sovereignty is not a dry, constitutional matter: the loss of it leads to riots in the streets.

Conservative Party spokesmen may claim an important difference between Mr Blair and Mr Major is that that while both are aware of these dangers, Mr Major is the only one prepared to act on them. Mr Blair yesterday restricted himself to pointing them out; he then went on to promise that he would not try to obstruct EMU - indeed he would "work closely with Germany and others to help make sure EMU is given the best chance of working". Mr Major is also, however, not attempting to stop the project. Both can see it ending in tears; both are prepared to watch the tears being shed.

If the rise of nationalism on the Continent were a problem merely for those nations concerned, this might be a legitimate policy. But Britain too has an interest in the continuance of democracy and peace in Europe. The EU was set up precisely to achieve peace and prosperity. Its current direction imperils this. If Britain can rightly be accused of being on the sidelines, it is not because this country is not joining EMU, but because it is not opposing it strongly enough.

#### **RUSSIA'S MR CLEAN**

An unlikely champion of modernisation

Yesterday, a beaming Boris Yeltsin appointed Aleksandr Lebed National Security Adviser and head of his powerful Security Council. The Russian President's immediate aim is to win over as many as possible of the 11 million voters who supported the gruff former general in the first round of the presidential elections. But by Mr Yeltsin's account, this is no mere tactical alliance against Gennadi Zyuganov, but "a union between two politicians, two manifestos". To his is a marriag built to last, he told Russia's voters that he saw Mr Lebed as his probable successor.

Mr Lebed won 15 per cent of the firstround vote by convincing Russians that he was the man of iron resolve needed to restore porvadok - order - by rooting out corruption and organised crime. Mr Yeltsin has smoothly placed this poisoned chalice in his hands. He is expected to be given effective control of the "power ministries" -Defence, the Interior and the Secret Services. It is an astonishing leap up the ladder for a 46-year-old political novice who has twice failed to forge an effective "third force" party of his own and who resigned his commission less than a year ago.

That resignation followed his defeat in a bitter public row with General Pavel Grachev, the unpopular Defence Minister, over the decision to downgrade and ultimately to withdraw the 14th Russian Army which he commanded in Moldavia. Most Russians, however, credited him with preventing civil war there. General Grachev's resignation yesterday is further confirmation that Mr Yeltsin has changed

the political guard. Mr Lebed hardly comes across as a liberal. Blunt to a fault, he speaks the language of the mailed fist. Although he insists that a free press is essential to the democratic process and supports jury trials, he has said that Russia is still so chaotic that "we are going to have to use authoritarian methods to force

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people to build democracy". His current role model is de Gaulle, but not long ago mainly because he admires the transformation of the Chilean economy - it was General Pinochet.

Mr Lebed may not, however, be as alarming as this might seem. First, he is no friend of the all-powerful State, which he describes as "a wolf gnawing at the economy". Instead, he calls for its role to be cut back to core responsibilities, defence, law and order ("to protect the fruits of the labour of law-abiding citizens from the whims of officials and from gangsters' extortion") and essential social and educational services. On investment laws, Russia's chaotic tax system and cutting the bureaucracy's size and powers, he is a moderniser. He blames the failures of the market economy in Russia on "the bandit State".

If Mr Yeltsin wins in the second round, Mr Lebed will be judged above all by his success in his primary task, the offensive against corruption and crime on which he insists that "Russia's survival as a state" depends. His legislative plans include rules to make state budgets more transparent, stiff penalties for bribe-taking, compulsory disclosure by state officials of their own and their families' income; greater protection for judges and law-enforcement agencies; and an independent body to fight organised crime which would co-operate with Interpol and foreign intelligence services.

This would amount to a declaration of war on the entire Russian nomenklatura. It would encounter powerful resistance. That is precisely why Mr Yeltsin has ducked these reforms so far. As Mr Lebed himself has remarked, "it's not the generals who are running for election you need to worry about, it's the generals who aren't". If his popularity does swing enough votes to win Mr Yeltsin a second term, that will only be the start of Russia's next battle against the rot within. It will be the toughest yet.

#### FIRE MOUNTAINS

**Bold Italians face dark volcanic forces** 

Even sophisticated 20th-century man draws back at times from tempting the gods. To drill boreholes into the side of Vesuvius and detonate up to 1,700lb of explosives deep inside the volcano must strike anyone as a foolish provocation. Paolo Gasparini, one of the vulcanologists attempting to map the mountain's churning centre, maintains that their experiments will administer no more than a "light knock" to the lowering volcano. But what if such hubris provoked a cataclysm? The vengeful deities that have periodically rained terror and lava down the mountain's fertile slopes may not take kindly to mortal interference.

There are 1,500 active volcanoes around the world. The spirits that fire their magma up from the underworld seem, at the end of the 20th century, to be especially angry. Spectacular clouds now rise from Mount Ruapehu in New Zealand. On the other side of the Pacific, the smoking volcano on Montserrat threatens to blow at any time, keeping the tiny colony's inhabitants in refugee camps for months. The world is only now recovering from the explosive eruption in 1991 of Mount Pinatubo, whose 20 million tonnes of ash darkened the skies, reflecting sunlight and cooling the world's climate by 0.5°C over three years.

From Mount St Helens in America to

Mount Vulcan in New Guinea and Mount Unzen in Japan, volcanoes long dormant are erupting into furious life. New islands are rising from the foaming seas around Iceland as lava spews from the deep. Mammouth Mountain, in eastern California, is emitting dangerous levels of carbon dioxide. Old craters in the Alban Hills near Frascati are waking from a 20,000-year sleep, and the spongy ground has risen a foot in 15 years.

Vulcanologists have rarely been so excited or so active. The first reported initiate of their mystery was Empedocles, who, wanting to be regarded as a Greek god, tried to disappear in Mount Etna; the lava spewed out his sandal to show him both mortal and a conman. Other ancients took a more stepby-step approach. Pliny the Elder took a step too far and was killed in his quest to discover what was happening on Vesuvius; Pliny the Younger, keeping a safer distance, left us an invaluable eyewitness account of the most

famous eruption in history. The fascination with these occasional roars from the globe's fiery core has drawn scientists to the lip of disaster ever since. Maurice and Katia Krafft, the celebrated French vulcanologists, paid for their obsession with their lives in 1991. Volcanoes are unpredictable beasts. The Italians should think again.

#### BSE and animal feed in France

From the Editor of Country Life

Sir, In attacking Britain for allowing the export of infected animal feed after 1988 (report, June 14). French politicians have inadvertently highlighted the hitherto little-remarked scandal of

If the disease is transmitted through

Whenever Country Life has spoken to the French Ministry of Agriculture they have been emphatic - indeed heated - in their assertion that there is no BSE in France. Consequently, they do not take any precautions against it. The brains, spinal column and other specified offals are not removed from slaughtered animals, as

If the French really do believe that BSE is a threat to humans, they have shown appailing insouciance about the danger posed by their own beef. It is hardly surprising that German consumers' confidence in beef has fallen. As a prominent German manufacturer of organic products told me, Germany has open borders with the other European nations and the German consumer is not convinced of the honesty of French farmers or the dili-

gence of the French authorities. It seems extraordinary that the European Union is not protecting its citizens by insisting on the removal of specified offals from cattle slaughtered in France. Until it does, surely the British Government should ban the import of paté and other French products containing beef, on the grounds that France's safety measures do not match those in this country.

Yours faithfully, CLIVE ASLET. Editor, Country Life. King's Reach Tower, Stamford Street, SEI.

Sir, You reported on Friday that there

was outrage in France at the alleged failure of the European Commission to prevent the export of suspect aniusi ieed ilow Rliisiu iu 1864

the safety of animal feed in 1988, but was rebuffed by member states, including both Britain and France. It was not until 1994 that regulations were introduced at the European

forts of member states, including our own, to scapegoat the Commission for their own mistakes and shortcomings.

Yours sincerely. SHIRLEY WILLIAMS. House of Lords. June 16.

monkeys was achieved only by injecting material into their brains (not. by the way, the first time this has been

There is no evidence that BSE can be transmitted orally into monkeys nor any proof of a link between BSE and CID. There has been no rise in the normal incidence of CJD cases. even though evidence has been found of a different kind of CJD. Indeed, the number of cases of CJD actually came down last year

of science, not sensationalism.

Yours faithfully, COLIN W. MACLEAN (Director General). Meat and Livestock Commission. PO Box 44. Winterhill House, Snowdon Drive, Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire.

Sir. Your headline today, "Britain may be frozen out of hostile EU", at least raises the prospect of our leaving by mutual consent.

countries even if they wanted it?

will only have themselves to blame.

Yours faithfully, ANTHONY GORDON. UK Member of EU Beef Advisory Committee, June 10.

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France's own policy on BSE.

feed, and large quantities of contaminated feed were imported into France, it is inconceivable that France can only have suffered the 15 or so cases of BSE that have been officially notified. Further, the policy of slaughtering whole herds whenever a single case is reported clearly does not pre-vent infected meat from entering the lood chain, since the long incubation period means that cattle from these herds may be sold and slaughtered

before symptoms appear,

From Baroness Williams of Crosby

The Commission raised the issue of

Many of us are angered by the el-

From Mr Colin W. Maclean, FRCVS Sir, Your headline today, "Scientists find direct evidence for BSE link".

simplifies and distorts. In fact the transmission of BSE to

But even if there were a link between BSE and CID we have the strictest safeguards in the world in place. This is why the experts are able to assert that British beef is safe to eat.

I am in favour of everybody being made aware of the facts on BSE because this is a matter of such understandable public concern. But the debate should be conducted on the basis

June 14.

From Mr Anthony Gordon

When we joined the EEC, was there anyone who believed that Brussels could decree that we should not send our beef to South Africa or other third

Such interference is monstrous, I warned the Commission at a meeting of the Beef Advisory Committee a month ago that their actions could turn the majority of UK citizens into Euro-sceptics. If this happens they

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#### Structural weakness in Birt's BBC

From Lady Anglesey

Sir. William Rees-Mogg writes of "Birt's gamble on a commercial BBC" (June 10). He suspects it may bring to an end the BBC as we have known it. As a past member of the Independent Broadcasting Authority and the Board of the British Council, and as a past Chairman of the Broadcasting Complaints Commission, 1 strongly share his concern, particularly about the threat to high standards in regional broadcasting, and in the World Service and on radio.

The licence fee has been supported by all parties and the BBC has rightly been independent of government. I admire much that John Birt has achieved, but I fear the possible longterm "political" as well as commercial consequences of this gamble.

Yours sincerely. SHIRLEY ANGLESEY, Plas Newydd, Lianfairpwil. Isle of Anglesey.

From Mrs Mary Whitehouse

Sir, William Rees-Mogg does a considerable public service by exposing the consequences of John Birt's "gambie on a commercial BBC".

One is driven to ask - by what right does Birt decide, apparently more or less off his own bat, to make an end to the BBC as we know it by effectively privatising it? And all without refer-

ence to the viewer and listener. There is no doubt that the retirement of Marmaduke Hussey was a great loss to the BBC and to us all. One can only regret that the new Chairman, Sir Christopher Bland, after so short a time in office, has apparently decided to give John Birt his head, with profound implications not only for the future of the BBC but for the quality of life in Britain and indeed much further afield.

May I suggest that this matter be put to a national referendum? While it may be thought that one has been. upon occasion, in the forefront of criticism of the BBC, John Birt's proposals fill one with dismay - "too clever by half" is the description which springs to mind. Let the public have the, hand, has cultivated different skills for a different role, providing coverage of international religious issues, reflections from all the world's religions, taking seriously the different faith commitments of its audience and

chance to make its own voice heard -

after all it does provide the cash.

(Founder and President Emeritus),

Yours faithfully. MARY WHITEHOUSE

National Viewers' and

Blachernae, Ardleigh, Colchester, Essex.

From the Bishop of Southwark

Sir, in the light of the publication of

John Birt's proposed structure chan-

ges to the BBC. I, as Chairman of the Central Religious Advisory Commit-

tee (CRAC), am concerned with the

continuing presence of religious broadcasting both within the domes-

tic output and, more significantly, the

The two departments fulfil different

roles. Domestic religion provides cov-

erage of religious issues for its British

audience in such programmes as Heart of the Matter, Everyman and Sunday, a service in the broadcasting

of Christian worship programmes and a lively contribution to current

The World Service, on the other

ethical debate in The Moral Maze.

Listeners' Association,

World Service.

providing major educational series like The Way of the Buddha, What do Hindus Believe? and The Essential Quran, series which have educated a wide audience and helped to break down barriers of community understanding. CRAC has constantly recognised the significance each makes to the relevant output.

I write now personally to express my concern that, in the light of the current proposals, the unique contribution of religious programmes to a world audience may be jeopardised.

Yours sincerely, TROY SOUTHWARK, Bishop's House, 38 Tooting Bec Gardens, Streatham, SW16.

#### The Paestum Diver

From Mr Michael Moynihan Sir. Might there not be a perfectly simple explanation for the Paestum Diver, the only painting from the Gol-

den Age of Greek art to have come to light (Ārts, June 11)? tum, southern Italy, about which I later wrote a travel article, we were shown, among the majestic ruins, what remained of the Gymnasium where Greek youths had "kept warrior-fit, most of it a swimming pool with a zig-zag labyrinth of tunnels at

one end to provide a submerged obstacle course" About the closely guarded Tomb of the Diver in the Museum, dated 475 BC, which had been discovered by farm-workers digging near the rail way station in 1968, I wrote:

Round the sides are denicted scenes from a gay (in its modern communition) funeral banquet while under the lid is a naked youth diving into a pool. "An allegory of the soul's journey from this life to the next."
pontificated the guide. From the tight smug
smile of the diver, I would say it was a light-ning sketch of the late lamented, showing off in the Gymnasium swimming-pool

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL MOYNIHAN. Nuthatch, Fletcher Close, North Mundham, Chichester West Sussex.

From Miss J. M. Venn

Sir. The reproduction of the Paestum Diver this morning and your account gave me most welcome information. have some botanical knowledge and I straightaway thought of the "trees" depicted in the painting as red seaweeds, abundant and feathery in warm shallow waters.

Yours co J. M. VENN. Ouin Cottage. Shillingstone, Blandford, Dorset. June II.

#### Lottery grants

From Mr R. F. Bond

Sir, The charity I represent has existed for over 100 years in order to offer what the National Lottery calls "disadvantaged young people a realistic chance to become economically selfsufficient through providing employment opportunities, training and skills development". Our charity, a school, requires no government grants and fees are paid on behalf of ne youngsters who come to it.

We have a one-off requirement for capital to expand our facilities. Seventy per cent is available from reserves and two years of fund-raising. We asked the lottery for the balance so that we could make a start in July to meet a known surge in demand next September. Once the development is complete we would again be financially self-sufficient. Our application was acknowledged but we were never visited or even interviewed.

There will always be controversy over the distribution of lottery money and I am sure many have as good a story as ours, but the members of the panels should, I feel, keep in touch more with public sentiment. Mr Andrew Phillips, a member of the board (letter, June 13), seems to me to be less in touch than he thinks.

suggest a regular rotation of assessors, adjudicators and indeed board

Yours faithfully, R. F. BOND, Calthorpe Road, Ryde, Isle of Wight.

#### Legal complaints

From Mr Tony Biles

Sir, The Legal Services Ombudsman is reported (June 13) as saying that if there is no improvement in the level of dissatisfaction with lawyers the Government may eventually set up an independent system to handle complaints against solicitors.

It is now ten years since the Solicitors Complaints Bureau was established. The time for internal change and tinkering with a system which is widely acknowledged to be defective has passed. An independent system should be set up now.

Yours faithfully. TONY BILES (Vice-Chairman). Casia - Complaints against solicitors: action for independent adjudication, PO Box 305, Guildford, Surrey GU2 5WE. June 17.

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Letters for publication may be faxed to 0171-782 5046.

lotteries board and their selection

We now have the problem of defining other options open to us in the absence of lottery support. As to the future of lottery grants, I

June 13.

#### Baling out

From Mr Charles F. Whitelock

Sir, Air Vice-Marshal Price and Mr Fenwick (letters, June 4, 8) were fortunate in being allowed to carry with them rewards for their safe return in

the event of capture. Flying in the Middle East - Iraq. the Gulf and Oman - in the 1930s we carried only a card with a message in Arabic, Kurdish and Turkish promising untold (to us) riches for our return. preferably intact, to the authorities should we be found after a forced landing.

We were not given a translation of the message, doubtless because it could have been bad for our morale to learn the going rate per survivor. Unkind rumour had it that it was of the order of five shillings

I still have my card. The temptation to obtain a translation is exceeded only by my fear of learning how little I might have been worth some sixty years ago.

Yours faithfully, C. F. WHITELOCK (San Ldr. RAF (retd)). 18 Walpole Court. Puddletown, Dorset. June 9.

#### Asylum appeals in cases of torture

From Professor Sir Richard Doll, CH, FRS, and others

Sir, We are writing to draw attention to the treatment of torture victims who have fled their own countries to seek sanctuary in the United Kingdom. Making decisions on asylum cases is unquestionably difficult. Documentary evidence is hard to come by in totalitarian regimes, and errors in decisions are bound to have desperate and sometimes fatal consequences. There is a need for a measure of the benefit of the doubt on evidence, a sympathetic hearing and good information on

conditions in their country of origin. On June 19 the Nigerian pro-democracy activist Abiodun Igbinidu will have been held in custody in this country for a year. His claim to be a torture victim was rejected by the Home Secretary in August last year. In an unsuccessful appeal the special adjudicator wrote: "I do not accept his account of having been arrested on various occasions and having been tortured. There is no independent medical evidence to support that

in his case the procedures and criteria for handling and determining refugee status under the 1951 United Nations Convention and its 1967 Protocol were not followed, and no expert med-

ical advice was obtained. By a fortunate meeting of disparate medical and journalistic interests in Oxford it was subsequently possible to secure documentary, surgical and psychiatric evidence of torture and its psychological and traumanc sequence. Mr Igbinidu's deportation has been deferred and the Home Office is reconsidering his case, but in the meantime he remains at Campsfield House Detention Centre, near Oxford, That his is an exceptional case adds to the concern for the others who lacked

such investigative opportunity. It is clear that the number of economic asylum seekers is legion and strong regulation is required. However there is a long-standing and proud British record of help for those fleeing from persecution and torrure. None of us would want to see this lost. We believe the case of Mr Igbinidu illustrates that exemplary consideration should be given to asylum seekers who claim to have experienced torture, and most importantly a proper medical examination by specialists.

Yours sincerely.
RICHARD DOLL (Professor Emeritus of Medicine). ANDREW McMICHAEL (Professor of Immunology) PETER MORRIS DAVID WEATHERALL (Regius Professor of Medicine) University of Oxford. John Radcliffe Hospital. Oxford. June 15.

#### British architecture

From Mr Terry Farrell Sir. We are going through a really creative and vibrant phase of British architecture. However, I am concerned that the lottery has encouraged a centralisation of taste control, as Marcus Binney ("Have a prize, old boy", Arts.

June 10) has recognised. The last time architectural taste was in such a few hands was in the booming 1950s and 1960s, when so much of that which was built reflected the view that leading architects knew what was good for everyone else. There is certainly an element of anti-populism and a real disrespect for pluralism in the leading architectural institutions

of today. I would be in favour of those who buy the lottery tickets and pay for the new buildings having much more say in what is built with their money.

My hunch is that their taste would be very different from the narrow groups appointed to choose on their behalf.

TERRY FARRELL, Terry Farrell & Pariners. 17 Hatton Street, NW8.

#### Millennium wheel

From Mr L. P. Bayly

Sir, A Ferris wheel in London to mark the millennium (letters, April 24: May 27; June 4, 14) is entirely appropriate. It is the perfect symbol for a nation which has no idea where it's going.

Yours faithfully. 79a Gloucester Street, Winchcombe, Gloucestershire.

#### Not suited

From Miss Jacqui Harrison

Sir, Mr Edward Armitage (letter, June 18) is obviously blissfully ignorant of popular culture, but if he really wants to be enlightened on the subject of the shellsuit, I can inform him thus: it is shaped like a tracksuit, is usually of iridescent material in lurid colours and, if held to the ear, projects the sounds of a Romford boot fair.

Yours faithfully, JACQUI HARRISON, Beech Cottage, II Watting Street, Thaxted, Essex. June 18.

Forthcoming

marriages

The engagement is announced

between Ralph, elder son of Lord and Lady Clitheroe, of Downham Hall, Lancashire, and Olivia, only

daughter of Mr and Mrs Anthony

Warrington, of Low Burton Hall, Masham, North Yorkshire.

The engagement is announced

between Phillip, elder son of Mr

and Mrs John de Grey-Warter, of

Mundon, Essex, and Naomi, younger daughter of Captain and Mrs Edward Taylor, of Kingole

The engagement is announced

between Kenneth, elder son of Mr

and Mrs Torben Houlberg, of

Abbotsbury, Dorset, and Rachel, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs. Graham Parr, of Horndean,

The engagement is announced between Luke, eldest son of the late

Mr Edward Piper and of Mrs Edward Piper, of The Old Laun-

dry. Marston Bigot, near Frome, Somerset, and Julia, daughter of Count and Countess Charles de Salis, of Yarlington House, near

Mr C.P.N. Plunket-Checkemian

The engagement is announced between Charles, eldest son of Mr

and Mrs Nicholas Plunket-Checkemian, of Remenhant, Oxfordshire, and Polly, daughter

of Mr Peter Farrington, of Hinton, Wilshire, and Mrs Margaret Farrington, of Seer Green, Buckinghamshire.

The engagement is announced between Cyrus, son of Dr and Mrs F.A. Shabi, of Tattenhall, Chesh-

ire, and Clare Louise, daughter of

Mr and Mrs George Robertson, of

The engagement is announced between Peter, son of Mr and Mrs John Williamson, of Camberley.

Surrey, and Lucy, daughter of Mr Jeremy Willing and the late Mrs Jane Willing, of Haddington, East

The Rev P. de Grey-Warter

and Miss N.A. Taylor

Farm, Cornwall.

Hampshire.

K.M.T. Hoolberg, RN.

and Miss R.E.F. Part

Mr T.L.C. Piper and Miss J.M.B. de Salis

Wincanton, Somerset.

Mr C.J.M. Shabi

Canterbury, Kent.

Flight Licensesses P.M. Williamson, RAF,

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#### **COURT CIRCULAR**

WINDSOR CASTLE June 18: The Queen, with The Duke of Edinburgh, honoured Ascot Races with her presence

ST JAMES'S PALACE The Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall, this afternoon received the Secretary of the Duchy of Cornwall (Mr John James). KENSINGTON PALACE June 18: The Princess of Wales, Patron. Turning Point, received Mr Rex Hewitt (Chief Executive) and Mr Ronald Alexander

KENSINGTON PALACE June 18: The Duke of Glouces Patron. Nuffield Farming Scholarships Trust, this evening attended a Reception at 28 Bedford Square, London, WCI.

YORK HOUSE, ST JAMES'S PALACE

June 18: The Duke of Kent, Colonel-in-Chief, today visited the 2nd Battalion, the Royal Regiment of Fusiliers, Barker Barracks Hohne, Germany.

Mr Nicolas Adamson was in

#### Today's royal engagements

(Communications Director).

The Princess Royal, as President of the Patrons, Crime Concern, will attend a Prudential Youth Action awards ceremony at the Prudential Corporation, 142 Holborn Bars, ECI, at 10.30; as Commandant-in-Chief, Women's Transport Service (FANY), will attend the open day luncheon at Mercury House, Duke of York's Headquarters, at 12.30: and will attend a dinner at the Royal Hospital Chelsea at 7.15 to mark 200 years of military veterinary service.

The Duke of Gioucester will attend a concert at Christ Church Spitalfields at 7.30 in aid of the restoration of the church.

The Duke of Kent, as Patron of the British Menswear Guild, will at-tend a gala dinner and present warrants of appointment at Mansion House at 7.20.

The Duchess of Kent will unveil a British Airways Change for Good display at the Compass Centre. Heathrow Airport, at 9.45.

#### Lord Luke

The thanksgiving service for the life and work of Lord Luke, of Pavenham will be held at 3.00pm on Monday, June 24, at St Law-rence Jewry-next-Guildhall in the

#### Peter Glenville

A Requiera Mass for Peter Glenille, who died recently in New York, will be said in The Little Oratory, Brompton Oratory, London SW3 at midday on June 26.

BIRTHS: James VI of Scotland, reigned 1567-1625, afterwards as James I of England and Ireland. reigned 1603-25, Edinburgh, 1566;

Thomas Fuller, preacher and

scholar. Aldwincle, Northampton-

Blaise Pascal, mathematician

and philosopher, Clermont-Fer-

rand, France, 1623: John Gibson,

sculptor, Gyffm, 1790; Charles

Kelvedon, Essex, 1834: Douglas

Haig, 1st Earl Haig, Field Mar-

The Duchess of Windsor (née

Wallis Warfield), Baltimore, Maryland, 1896; Sir Ernst Chain,

biochemist. Nobel laureate 1945.

DEATHS: William Sherlock

Dean of St Paul's 1691-1707.

shal, Edinburgh, 1861.

#### Luncheons

Canada-UK Chamber

Mr Royce Frith, QC, was the guest of honour and speaker at a luncheon of the Canada-United Kingdom Chamber of Commerce held yesterday at Trinity House. Mr Timothy Battle, president of the chamber, presided. The Agent General for Quebec was among the guests.

National Sporting Club Mr Bob Willis, Chairman of the National Sporting Club, presided at a luncheon held yesterday at the Café Royal in honour of the Indian Cricket Team.

#### Reception

Institute of Education Sir Clive Whitmore, Chairman of the Council of the Institute of Education, London University, and Professor Peter Mortimore. Director, were the hosts yesterday at a reception held at the institute for guests from the field of edu-

#### Dinners

spoke.

United & Cedi Club Sir Sydney Chapman, MP, was the chairman at a dinner of the United & Cecil Club last night at the House of Commons. Earl Ferrers was the principal guest and speaker. Mr Julian Markham also

Institute of Measurement Professor J.S. Anderson, President of the Institute of Measurement and Control, was the host at a dinner held last night at Glaziers' Hall after Sir Geoffrey Allen had delivered the 1996 Thomson lec-

London, 1707; Nicolas Lemery, chemist, Paris. 1715; John Brown,

theologian, Haddington, Lothian. 1787; Sir Joseph Banks, naturalist,

Maximilian, Archduke of Aus-

tria, Emperor of Mexico 1864-67, executed, Mexico, 1867; John Emerich Acton, 1st Baron Acton of

Aldenham. historian. Tegernsee.

Bavaria, 1902: Sir James Barrie,

Sir Robert Peel's Police Act was

The first official baseball game was played at the Elysian Fields.

Hoboken, New Jersey, between the

New York Nine and The Knicker-

isleworth, Surrey, 1820.

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passed, 1829.

bockers, 1846.

Minor Academic Awards **Anniversaries** 

> Carly Bryant. Angley School — plano: Nadia Gilden, Dulwich Preparatory School, Cranbrook -Bute: Andrew Radford. Dulwich

# Chartered

Senior Warden, Mr Robin S. Broadhurst: Junior Warden, Mr The first Zeppelin dirigible airship. the Deutschland, was launched, Stuart Hibberdine.

#### Requiem Mass

Larly Edith Foxee Pather Charles Dilke was the principal celebrant at a requiem Mass for Lady Edith Sybil Forwell

held on Monday in Brompton

Oratory.

Mrs Maria Rawlinson led the bidding prayers and Miss Susan Clarke read the Prayer of St Francis of Assisi. Prince Valerio Massimo, grandson, read the lesson. Mr Larry Adler delivered the eulogy. Among others present

Princess Massimo (daughter).

Don Cesare Massimo and Don Tancredi Massimo (grandsons).

The Marquess of Bath, the Earl of Inchcape, Lady Colin Campbell, Viscount Rothermere, Viscountess Chelsea, Jacqueline Lady Killearr, Lady Serena Bridgeman, Lady Elizabeth Shakerley, the Hon Mrs Emily Anderson, Sir Toby Clarke, Sir Anthony and Lady Meyer, Anne Lady Jaftray, Lady Epstein, Princess Maresti. Princess Alla Aly Khan, Mr Desmond de Silva, OC, and Princess Katarina of Yugoslavia, Princess Kropotkin, Prince Walld Ressa.

Mr Peter Avery, Mr John

Prince Walld Kassa.

Mr Peter Avery, Mr John Rendali, Mr J Pilicher, Mr Paul Pearson, Mr and Mrs Christopher Lee, Mrs Derek Nimmo, Mr Peter Davies, Mr Christopher Beresford, Miss Annabel de Gelsty, Mr E Rea, Mr Robin Kindersiey, Mr Ned Ryan, Dr Christine Costello, Mr Dal Liewellyn, Mr James Robarts, Mrs Nancy Briton-Pratiey, Miss Kari Allen, Mr Charles Delavigne, Mr Jack Woolf, Mrs Mimi Slavinski, Mr John Kennedy, Mr George Cooper, Mr Jonathan Bolton-Dignam, Mr C W Neufeld, Mrs Mari Bell.

Mr David Shilling, Mrs P

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Sally Farmiloe, Mrs Jack Girardet,
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Anthony Skyrme, Mr John
Marron, Dr V Bampoe, Mr I S
Barrie, Miss Denborah LongfordRoss, Miss Donothy Ottey, Ms Nike
Williams. Mr Eddie Capone. Mr
Barry Wieland, Mr Frederick
Trimmer (Sacristan, Brompton
Oratory), the Rev A T J Salter. Mr
Torrents Dels Prats. Mr David
Lewis (chairman, Special Events
Committee, Unice), and Mrs
Lewis, Mr Ken Gibson (Bernison
Antiques). Sister Claire Penny
(Chelsea and Westminster Hospitall, Mr John Chandler (Dorchester
hotel) and many other friends.

#### Cranbrook School

Scholarskip Awards 1996 We are pleased to announce the following Scholarship Awards for 1996 entry: Major Academic Awards

Rory Allen. Wellesley House School -- Science: Stephen Ashley. Dulwich Preparatory School. Cranbrook — Mathematics & Science: Henrietta Denney, Bedge-bury — General; James Shooter, Holmewood House School — General; Benjamin Smith, Willington School — General; Holly Wake-

Oliver Cripps, Marlborough House — General: Ross Dudley. Angley School — General. Music Awards

Preparatory School, Cranbrook

#### Company of Surveyors

The following have been elected officers of the Company of Char-tered Surveyors for the ensuing

Master, Mr David H. Pepper:

DEATHS



Mother Teresa of Calcutta and two of her nuns yesterday with the Most Rev John Aloysius Ward, the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Cardiff, when she opened the 565th convent for her order, the Missionaries of Charity, at Swansea. Mother Teresa, who has a broken foot, was taken in a wheelchair into the converted terrace house where four of her nuns will work. She said: "We are here to help people who cannot help themselves"

#### Church appointments

The Rev Mark Bonney, Vicar. Eaton Bray w Edlesborough, to be Rector, Great Berkhamsted (St Albans).

The Rev Stephen Cope, Vicar, Rudston w Boynton and Kilham, to be Bishop of Hull's Adviser in Rural Affairs for the Archdeacoury

of the East Riding (York). The Rev George Davies, Chaplain, Thurrock Lakeside Shopping Centre (Chelmsford), to be Rector, St Andrew. Mottingham (South-

The Rev Arthur Deegan, Team Vicar, Melson Mowbray Team Ministry, 10 be Rector, Barwell cum Stapleton and Potters Marston (Leicester). The Rev Adrian Fereday, Assistant

Curate, Gleadless, to be Team Vicar. Aston-cum-Aughton w Swallownest, Todwick and Ulley (Sheffield). The Rev Simon Franklin, Rector,

Woodchurch and Assistant Stewardship Adviser (Canterbury). to

The Lord Mayor of Westminster

and the Mayor of Kensington and

Cheisea attended a service of thanksgiving and rededication

Abbey to mark the tenth anniver-

sary of the founding of London Lighthouse.

The Dean of Westminster offici-

ated, assisted by Canon Colin Semper and the Rev Barry Fenton.

Precentor. Rabbi Julia Neuberger.

a Patron of London Lighthouse read Psalm 139, 1-13, and the Rev

Andrew Henderson, founding

KEYS - Margaret Alison.
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chair of the council of manage

he Priest-in-charge, the Otter Vale Team Ministry (Exeter). in plurality (Durham).

The Rev Nigel Genders, Assistant Curate, Christ Church, New Malden (Southwark), to be Assistant Curate, Christ Church, Cockfosters (London).

The Rev Richard Gomersall, Assisiant Curate (NSM), Thurcroft. Rotherham, to be Assistant Curate (NSM), Sheffield, St Matthew (Sheffield)

The Rev Horace Grainger. Team Vicar. Penrith, to be Vicar, Holme Cultram St. Mary and Holme Cultram St Cuthbert (Carlisle). The Rev Christine Hardman. Assistant Curate, Markyate and Director of Mission Studies of St Albans and Oxford Ministry Course, to be Vicar. Stevenage. Holy Trinity (St Albans).

The Rev Janet Hardy. Team Vicar, Great Snaith, to be Vicar, Christ Church, Pitsmoor (Sheffield). The Rev Alison Harrison, Priestin-charge. Ebchester, to be Vicar.

said prayers. Mr Christopher Spence, founder and director, read

from a commemorative essay he wrote in 1988 to mark the official

opening of London Lighthouse and

Ms Sophie Kaleero, community volunteer organiser, read An Af-

rican Elegy by Mr Ben Olcri. The

During the service Mr Alan

Clark, Mr Chris Birch, Ms Elli

Adler and Mr Ray Singh from the London Lighthouse and the UK

Right Rev Kenneth Woollcombe, a

Medomsley, and Rector, Ebchester The Rev Michael Hart, Rector, St

Mary, Newington, to be Priest-in-charge, and Team Vicar Des-ignate, St Mary, Caterham and St Peter and St Paul, Chaldon (Southwark). The Rev Michael Hatchett, Vicar, St Peter's, Great Totham, to be

also Rural Dean of Withsm The Rev David Hawthorn, Priest

in-charge Thornaby-on-Tees Team Ministry, to be Vicar of the newly Thornaby Gorki. The Rev Alan Howe. Priest-incharge, St John's, Mansfield, to be

Priest-in-charge, St Mary's, Wollaton Park (Southwell). The Rev John Hutchinson, Priestin-charge, All Saints, Viney Hill, and Warden of the Diocesan Adventure Centre (Gloucester), to be Vicar, Wadsley (Shef-field).

Mr Robert Ainsworth, MP, 44: Sir.

Michael Alexander, diplomat, 60; Aung San Sun Kyl. Nobel laure aue, 51; Mr Jeremy Bates, tennis player, 34; Sir Robin Brook, for-

mer President, Association of Cnambers of Commerce of EEC,

S: Dr Neil Chalmers, director,

Natural History Museum, 54: Sir Terence Clark, diplomat, 62:

Lieutenant-General Sir Peter

Duffell, 57; Miss Ena Evans,

Headmistress. King Edward VI

The Right Rev John Hind, Bishop of Gibraltar in Europe, 51:

High School, Birmingham, 58.

#### National **Art Collections**

#### Legal appointment

Birthdays today

Mackay of Clashlern, will asssign Judge Summer so the Family Division.

#### Fund

The Annual General Meeting of the National Art Collections Fund was held at the Royal Geographical Society, London, on Tuesday. June 18. The proceedings included reports from Sir Nicholas Goodison, Chairman, Mr David Barrie, Director, and Mr Rupert Hambro, Treasurer, Mr John Mallet, a member of the Executive Committee, gave a talk on Ceramics: 1503 until the present.

#### The High Court

The Oueen has been pleased to approve the appointment of His Honour Judge Christopher John Sumner to be a Justice of the High

#### Marriage Court. The Lord Chancellor, Lord

Mr T.M.D. Bingham and Miss S.J. van den Bergh The marriage took place on Saturday, June 15, at St Georges. Bickley, Kent, of Mr Tom Bingham and Miss Sophie van den

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was at-tended by Miss Deborah Hewitt and Hannah and Freddy van den Bergh. Mr Simon Lovegrove was best man.

#### Royal College of Physicians

The following overseas professors have become fellows of the Royal

College of Physicians: Professor Henry Burger, director of Prince Henry's Institute of Medical Research. McDoorne. Australia, Professor Mihail Cornieron, profes-sor of endocrinology at the Carol Davide Medical School in Bucharen, Professor Alao Hoffman, director of research and professor of medicine in passfronterology at the University research and professor of medicine in pastroenterology at the University of California, San Diego, Professor Carden Johnston, professor of paediaries at the University of Alabama School of Medicine, Dirmingham, Alabama, and Professor of Inspiratory medicine in the Medical School of Athens University.

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#### PERSONAL COLUMN

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MACKENZIE - Elizabeth, widow of Sir Robert MacKenzie of Couli. peacefully on June 16th. Mother of Nina. Fundament of Huntur. Mer min Altre. Frances at St. Nicholas Church. Thanes Differ. June 25th 11.30 gm. followed by privale cremation. Flowers to Kangusa. 74 Septimer Res. London Swi by 9.30 am picase.

MACKIE - With much sedicates, great love and happy memories the tamby assounce the death at home of Sir Mattland on June 18th 1996. Funeral Service for Land and riseds in David Parish Church on Friday 21st June 1996 at 2 pm. Memorial Service at St Machar Cathedral on Friday 28th June 1996 at 1 pm. MERRIES CALL Parente.

20th June 1996 at 1 ptn.

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PHILLIPS - On June 18th suddenly but peacefully in Wetherby aged 76 years. Arthur H. Phillips of worker of Mary and Arme. Funeral Service and coverage to the state of however the Crumsternia on Meeting June 20th at 2 present the state of t

houch lower humand, farmer and grandisther.
THYER-TURKER - Cecil Cocil Turner) aged 83 on 16th June at All Suints Hought, Carlam Released humand of Martin Rules of Britis and Grahum. Funeral Service at Medway Cronastorium, Chaffann, at 2.20 pm on Friday 21st Jima.

2.20 pm on Friday 21st June.

WARD - On June 15th 1996 Emile Republic, beloved only chair of backets Rape Daiyell and Victoria, grand-declaries of Bernard and Dethine Ward and June and Leslie Carr. died perceruly at home with all her learning them her 4th birthday. From all on Friday June 21st 2 pm of Habrille Mathodest Church, Dorne, Enquiries, for CLIC to Moody's F/D, all: (01628) 278383.

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#### MAJOR-GENERAL SIR CYRIL COLQUHOUN

Major-General Sir Cyril Colquhoun, KCVO, CB, OBE, Secretary of the Central Chancery of the Orders of Knighthood. 1960-68, died on June 5 aged 92. He was born in Natal, at Pietermaritzburg, on August 16.

USUALLY known as Ted, Cyril Colquhoun was a Gunner officer who in the 1950s rose to command both Northumbrian District and the British garrison in Malta. His was certainly not a military career lacking in distinction, but he is probably even better remembered by those going to Buckingham Palace to attend royal investitures in the 1960s. Between 1960 and 1968 he served as Secretary of the Central Chancery of the Orders of Knighthood.

It was almost as if he had been cast by nature for the part. His tall, elegant, if ascetic, figure would for nearly a decade invariably be found standing behind the Queen at investitures, unfussily supervising the presentation of insignia. And, in more recent years, he was also to be seen on state occasions and at royal garden parties as one of Her Majesty's Gentleman Ushers.

An extraordinarily modest man, he wrote in reply to an obituary question-naire sent to him by the secretary of the Royal Artillery Institution: "I find it difficult to put down 'achievements in peace and war'. I merely did the job of the rank I held." Always polite and cheerful, he was surprisingly tough and determined, when necessary, for a man of such great personal charm.

The son of Captain Harry Colquhoun, who was serving in South Africa when his son was born. Cyril Harry Colquhoun was educated at Oswestry High School and the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, before being commissioned into the Royal Artillery in 1923. His early service was with the 15th Field Brigade in India until 1932, when he came home to the 1st Light Brigade. By 1935 he was Adjutant to 52nd Field Brigade in the Territorial Army and he went to France after war broke out in 1939 as Brigade Major, Royal Artillery, in the 42nd Division.



Surviving Dunkirk, he was sent to the Staff College in the autumn of 1940 and returned to the 42nd Division for a short time before setting off across the Atlantic in August 1941 with the disguised British Military Mission to North America before the United States had actually entered the war. After Pearl Harbor, he was given two temporary commands (174th and 189th Field Regiments) until he was appointed to command the 6th Field Regiment.

This he took to Normandy in 1944 as part of 21st Army Group's artillery, and fought with it throughout the North-West Europe campaign until almost the end of the war. He then became a GSO I in the headquarters of

21st Army Group.
The war over, he commanded the 76th Field Regiment in the 1st Airborne Division in BAOR, and then the 1st Field Regiment in the Middle East. He was promoted brigadier in 1947 to

command the artillery of 6th Airborne Division in Palestine and qualified as a parachutist at the age of 44. Returning home in 1948 after the British withdrawal from Palestine, he commanded

the artillery of 1st Division.

The period of his service career in which he made the greatest mark was almost certainly, though, his two-year stint as an outstanding Commundant of the School of Artillery at Larkhill from 1951 to 1953,

He was promoted major-general and appointed to command the Northumbrian District and the 50th (Tyne & Tees) Division in the autumn of 1953; and his last appointment in the Army was General Officer Commanding British Troops, Malta, in 1956. He arrived in Malta just as the assault convoys were leaving for the abortive Suez operation, and he was faced with the military and political problems caused for the island by that affair.

Retiring in 1960, he took up his duties in St James's Palace almost straight away. He had an admirably methodical approach to the complex duties of the Secretary of the Central Chancery, and the grasp of detail that the office entailed. Courteous, kind and with a great sense of humour, he was always willing to help or to advise. Those who came to Buckingham Palace for their investiture, or who attended a church service of one of the Orders of Chivalry during his time as Secretary, will recall how his detailed and careful planning ensured the excellence of the occasion.

He was created KCVO on his retirement in 1968, having been appointed CVO in 1965. He had been made a Companion of the Order of the Bath in recognition of his services to the Army in 1955.

He always kept in the closest touch with the Royal Artillery, chairing for several years its charitable fund and being its representative on the Army Benevolent Fund. He was a Colonel Commandant of the Royal Artillery. 1962-69, and of the Royal Malta Artillery 1962-70.

He married Stella frene, daughter of W. C. Rose of Kotagiri. India. and Cheam, Surrey, in 1930. She died last January and he is survived by their

#### **GESUALDO BUFALINO**

Gesualdo Bufalino Italian novelist, died after being injured in a car accident on June 14 aged 75. He was born in Comiso, Sicily, in 1920.

WHENEVER he thought or wrote of his native Sicily. Gesualdo Bufalino was fond of alluding to Goethe's verdict on that ancient and mysterious land: "Hier ist der Schlüssel zu allem" (Here is the key to everything). He loved to reflect upon the sweep of its history and the peoples aboriginal, Greek, Carthaginian, Roman, Byzantine, Arab, Norman, Angevin and Bour-bon — who had flowed over it and given it its character.

Even when he was far from his island home (which he hated being for any length of time), its spring flowers, its pitiless summer skies, its roasting lava fields, its girdling seas - at times serene, at others lashed by equinoctial gales - were all an indissolu-ble part of his imagination. As he once said: "My complicity with the great spirits of all periods ... with people of different races and tongues did not prove strong enough to mortify inside me that embryonic, indelible sense of being Sicilian."

Yet in spite of his power to evoke the spirit of the land and its people in almost everything he wrote. Bufalino remained unpublished for many years. It was another Sicilian, Leonardo Sciascia, who discovered his merits and in 1981 secured publication of his novel Diceria dell'untore (tr. The Plague Sower) which Bufalino had written thirty vears previously.

Like Sciascia, Gesualdo Bufalino was a southern Sicilian. He was born at Comiso in the province of Ragusa, the son of a blacksmith. His family was on the whole impecunious, but as he was later to say of his childhood life: "I will never cease to miss it, a much poorer but a kinder Sicily." Leech-sellers, match-mak-

ers and fortune-tellers hawked their wares on the dusty streets, until morning gave way to the blistering heat of midday and the human world relapsed into the grateful ritu-



al of pranzo followed by the peace of siesta, until the cool of evening should revive it again. Educated at local schools,

Bufalino studied literature at Catania and Palermo universities, coming particularly under the influence of the contemporary French authors he had read as a child. He spent his professional life as a teacher and then as a lecturer at a teacher-training college in Palermo, where he subsequently became principal. But he had been writing from an early age, a habit he kept up throughout his teaching life, producing verse and translations (particularly from the French). By the age of 30 he had finished his first novel Diceria dell'untore.

Sciascia had already made his reputation with the publication, in 1960, of his Mafia tale Il giorno della civetta (tr. The Day of the Owl), when he came across Bufalino's novel, by which time the latter was 60. Perceiving its merits, he encouraged Bufalino to rework it and complete it. When Sciascia secured its publication in Palermo in 1981 it made an immediate impression and made the shortlist of the Premio Campiello.

Set in a Sicilian hospital populated largely by con-sumptive soldiers, Dicerla dell'untore powerfully purveyed an atmosphere in which lives were lived against a backdrop of impending disso-lution. Bufalino's rich prose, which stopped just short of being cloying, was an ideal vehicle for evoking the heat. the oppressive atmosphere and the ghastly sights and

sounds of what was virtually a citadel of the dead.

The novel's appearance announced the arrival of a new talent, if that is the right word for the belated recognition of powers which had actually lain involuntarily dormant for 30 years, In any event, such delays are not so appalling to the Sicilian mind, accustomed to long gestations. Giuseppe di Lampedusa meditated his single novel The Leopard for most of his life before sitting down to write it three years before he died. Even Sciascia was well over 40 when he first came to public notice.

After The Plague Sower, which brought him an international reputation, Bufalino produced half a dozen more novels, as well as some short stories. Argo il cieco (tr. Blind Argus) won the John Florio Prize for its translator Patrick Creagh, Le Menzogne della notte (tr. Night's Lies), in which four condemned conspirators against the Bourbon throne — a poet, an aristocrat, a soldier and a "perpetual student" - talk to calm their fears of death in their prison cell on the night before their execution, won Bufalino the 1988 Strega Prize.

It was a novel replete with the sense of poignant regret which belongs to men who know they have said goodbye for the last time to "the raging joy of being alive, of feeling the whole of one's body aflow with pulsing blood, warm with unfailing warmth, bursting with tales to tell". Its sensuous richness is as quintessentially Sicilian as the scents of zagara (orange blossom) and ginestra (broom) which waft powerfully across the countryside in springtime.

Bufalino was in the great literary tradition of his island, which has produced an extraordinarily rich crop of writers since Verga. He was less quizzical about the condition of present-day Sicily than his mentor Sciascia (who died in 1989). With Gluseppe di Lampedusa, he regarded the is-land's vanished past with unfeigned regret. And his work is a celebration of the ancient character and dignity of his native place.

Gesualdo Bufalino is survived by his wife Giovanna.

#### SIR NIALL LYNCH-ROBINSON, Bt

Sir Niall Lynch-Robinson, Bt. DSC, naval officer and advertising executive, died on June 3 aged 78. He was born on February 24, 1918.

NIALL LYNCH-ROBINSON began his career in the advertisement department of The Times in 1937, and went on to rbecome chairman of the cy responsible for many of the newspaper's campaigns. British advertising was then a gentlemanly affair; a preyuppie age when literary craft had not yet been subsumed beneath the crass hard-sell. But there were still many memorable slogans. Under Lynch-Robinson, Double Diamond worked wonders. Top People read The Times, and the height of motoring excitement was to roar across a beach with National Benzol sloshing in one's Ford Anglia fuel tank.

Behind his effortless Anglo-Irish charm and sparkling presence, which on occasions undoubtedly tipped the balance when winning new business for his company. Lynch-Robinson was a compassionate man with a glft for leadership. One of his earliest memories was, aged three, of trying to comfort his terrified far from Dublin. An IRA patrol had dropped by uninvited, and politely directed the only two occupants of the building to get under the kitchen table and remain there until they left.

Lynch-Robinson went to Stowe, where he was Head of School and a protege of its founder, J. F. Roxburgh. "A more virile and forceful person than his pleasant manners might suggest," wrote his housemaster. He then joined The Times as a junior "space" salesman, but by 1939 was

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On leave in 1940 he married Rosemary Seaton, but then returned to sea until 1942

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when his ship was divebombed and sunk by Stukas with the loss of 27 lives.

With a total of 17 warships suffering a similar fate in the Eastern Mediterranean during that period, the general rule was that nobody was allowed home until they had been sunk twice, but Lynch-Robinson returned to England and to collect the DSC for his part in sinking the German submarine U-75. He was later honoured with the Croix de Guerre while seconded to a French cruiser during the Normandy landings in 1944.

When the war was over, Lynch-Robinson returned to The Times and more spaceselling. But a friend suggested that he might have more fun helping to create the advertising itself, and in 1948 he joined LPE, the London Press Exchange. This was a traditional and very English advertising

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agency. His abilities propelled him swiftly upwards and onto the board by 1954.

In 1969 the Leo Burnett agency of Chicago bought LPE and its worldwide subsidiaries, and Lynch-Robinson was the obvious choice for chairman of the new London agency. With tact and skill, he took the central role in effecting the between the two very different cultures, and successfully continued the firm's long association with such products as Cadbury's chocolate and Bulmer's cider. Lynch-Robinson was a

chairman's chairman. In an era when many large companies were still familyowned, he did business with his opposite numbers as a respected equal. On one occasion when a crisis blew up on a major account, he went alone to put his agency's case to a typically family-dominated board. He returned a day and a half later after talking quite literally throughout the night. His voice he lost: the

account he kept. Nor was his skill with people wasted after his retirement in 1978. Initially, through his wife's involve ment as a counsellor, he worked with the Marriage Guidance Council, first locally, chairing the Guildford branch, and then as a member of the national executive. There he played a key role both in fundraising and in heightening awareness of the organisation by changing its name to Relate.

Outside the boardroom. Lynch-Robinson was at his happiest either waist-deep in a trout stream or quietly pottering in his greenhouse. In 1958 he inherited the baronetcy originally awarded to his grandfather for service in the Irish Government. This now passes to his son, Dominick, who becomes the 4th Baronet. He also leaves his widow. Rosemary. An adopted daughter died in 1993.

#### THE COUNTESS OF PERTH

Strathallan, at a dance in New

York. He saw an elegant

voune woman coming down

the stairs, turned to some

friends and said: "That's my

future wife." It took him some

time, however, to achieve his

aim, and it was not until they

met again, in China where he

was a member of a delegation

headed by Jean Monnet, that

their relationship flourished. They were married on Long

Island in 1934, then came to

live in London. When war

The Countess of Perth. supporter of the arts, died in Kent on June 7 aged 85. She was born in New York on March 19, 1911.

NANCY PERTH was a New Yorker born and bred who nevertheless spent most of her life in Britain, the adopted country she came to love. When, at the outset of the Second World War, her husband sought to persuade her and their two sons to go to the United States for safety, she refused point-blank, insisting on staying in England throughout the Battle of Britain. She played an active wartime part in the Red Cross and in the American charity, Bundles for Britain, Later on, in Scotland, she was an active supporter of the arts and

Nancy Seymour Fincke was born into wealthy New York society. Her father, Reginald, was a successful Wall Street trader. The family home on 72nd Street, and the country house in Southampton, Long Island, were regular haunts for the rich and famous -Averell Harriman was a cousin, and her aunt was married to the distinguished jurist.

Judge Learned Hand. Nancy herself was educated at Brearley School, studying painting and music. She was a keen sportswoman and a bit of a tomboy — her parents were horrified to discover that she habitually visited a neighbouring girlfriend by walking to her house along the narrow ledge high above 72nd Street. She met her future hus-

band, David, then Viscount

guard of honour.

broke out, her husband joined the Intelligence Corps and was seconded to the War Cabinet Office.

in 1951, with the death of his father, he became the 17th Earl of Perth, and two years later acquired the charming 16thcentury castle of Stobhall, which had once been the seat of the Drummond family. Between them Nancy and he embarked on a remarkable exercise in restoration, revealing the original painted beams

of the chapel, finding art works appropriate to the period, decorating rooms and transforming the original topiary garden. The result was enchanting. Or, as Nancy herself put it succinctly: "Not bad, I guess." It was this which inspired

her to support the Scotland's Gardens Scheme, and to chair the Scottish committee of the Museum of the Year Award which she did with charm and efficiency. She remained a keen tennis player, a good shot, and fished the River Tay, which ran beneath the castle, with great skill.

She enjoyed entertaining guests in London and Scotand, and was renowned for her dry wit as well as her impatience with pomposity. "What is he talking about?" ahe would whisper, sotto voce if someone was hogging the limelight - and that someone might occasionally include her husband. "Don't just gaze at the largest helping," she would chide a reluctant guest,

"take it." Between them, she and her husband enjoyed more than 60 years of married life together, a parmership based on love and mutual respect. In her latter years. Nancy was crippled with arthritis, but she refused all help, waving aside supporting arms, scorning the wheelchair her husband finally acquired for her. She showed the same no-nonsense approach to suffering and iliness towards the end as she had always demonstrated in

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arrived at the Whitehall stairs in his private carriage, whence he embarked on board the Royal barge, bearing the Royal standard. This barge was followed by the Lord Mayor's barge, which attended with his Lordship, and a full company, to conduct the Prince Regent to the bridge. Other barges belonging to the Admiralty, the Navy, and other public offices succeeded, bearing union flags, or the appropriate flags of the respective departments. The discharges of the artillery commenced on the Regent's embarking, and continued till he landed at the bottom of the flight of steps on the south-east of the bridge, which he ascended. His Royal Highness was received in the most respectful manner by the Committee. and then walked along on the western side of

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The bridge designed by John Rennie took six years to build, cost £565,000 and was considered by Canova the finest in

Europe, It was demolished in 1936 and the present one completed in 1944 the bridge, between the Duke of York and the Duke of Wellington, followed by a number of military officers, officers of State, and persons

Arrived at the north end of the bridge, he descended by the north-west stairs to the Royal harge. The firing then re-commenced, and did not terminate till his Royal Highness had landed at Whitehall waterpate, and returned to Carlton-bouse. The City barge continued on the river for some time after, and the other boats remained a considerable time rowing or sailing backwards and forwards. We scarcely

recollect an occasion of public gaiety on which a greater number of persons of all descriptions appeared in the streets, and particularly on the arrey side of the river. Here all the roads leading towards the bridge were literally crowded. Among other contrivances to increase, and to profit by the general popular festivity, a fair was opened a little to the south-east of the bridge, and called, of course, Waterloo Fair, in which, in the true style of the holydays at Greenwich, was a sufficient assortment of different swings, and other vehicles for popular amusement, together with a plentiful supply of cakes, gingerbread, beer and gin . . . All seemed well disposed to rejoice and make merry, and there were not wanting many instances of the usual effects of vulgar hilarity. Decorations of laurel were worn by the soldiers, with "Waterloo, 18th June, 1815." of distinction, and attended by a military in gold letters . . . A large cannon, taken at the battle of Waterloo, was placed on the parade in St James's Park on Tuesday.

Having noticed the particulars connected with yesterday's ceremony, it is an agree task to say something of the bridge itself, which we consider to be a very high testimonial of the great abilities of Mr Rennie. the architect, and of the liberality of the great body of shareholders who have provided the

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# Why can't we have a Bart?

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**MADDOX** 

Daily Mail is appalled. It sees the purchase of this animated sit-com as another sign of the BBC's abnegation of programme quality and family values. The Mail should look again. The Simpsons is not only the most moral of cartoon series, but offers the shrewdest glimpse available into the anomic of Middle America. It has my vote for the wittiest and most literate show on television.

I've hesitated to praise the brilliance of The Simpsons because it has been available only to the minority of viewers who take Sky One, a channel offered by BSkyB, partially owned by the owners of The Times, who also own the makers of the programme. Twenti-

eth Century Fox Television. Selfrestraint has been hard. Nowhere are there more dependable laughs. Nowhere else can the scriptwriters be relied on to take a good joke a turn or two beyond the expected.

The other week showed young Bart Simpson fleeing some irate neighbours. As they beat upon the doors of the Simpsons' all-Ameri-can little house, the lad desperately dials the police. He gets a recorded message: "You have reached the Springfield Police Station. If you are being burgled, press I. If

you are being mugged, press 2. If you are being murdered or seek personal assistance, please stay on the line." Infuriated, Bart punches in a whole lot of numbers at random. The automated voice continues on its track: "You have reached regicide. If you know the name of the king or queen being murdered, press 5."

To the Daily Mail, The Simpsons are "a dysfunctional family of misfits whose daily exploits are the opposite of the American dream and self-improvement ethos". Wrong. The Simpson family is not amoral. Only its men are. Bart hates school and breaks its rules. His father, Homer, who swills beer and eats junk food, tries to escape his job at the Springfield nuclear processing plant

But neither ever gets away with much. The women of the programme rope them back to the American straight and narrow. Brainy sister Lisa gets top marks at school and fights gender stereotyping. Mother Madge, as old-fashioned as her beehive hairdo, exerts control in more traditional ways. Whatever her men get up to, she has them round the table for a home-cooked meal at dinner time.

The Simpsons are just what the Daily Mail loves: a monogamous, faithful, married couple, who love their three children and do not know what has happened to the world they grew up in. They battle with the

t last, The Simpsons are moving to shapeless new America, a land of family their natural home, the BBC. The therapy, street crime, happy-clappy religion, therapy, street crime, happy-clappy religion, aimless schools, multiculturalism, giant discount stores (Madge concedes that the local giant warehouse offers a very good price for 14lb of nutmeg), and aggressive geriatrics. Grandpa Simpson, who demands his senior citizen rights while harking back to his little house on the prairie, is one of the programme's strongest characters. Their refuge and their strength is TV. The programme begins and usually ends with them piled on the sofa in front of the set.

Where they watch themselves. The Simpsons, launched in 1990 and winner of two Emmy awards, is a prime text for university courses in media and popular culture. It sassily displays all the fashionable theories.

like "self-referentiality". The Simpsons know they are characters in a television series. They know they are products of a cynical Hollywood industry, hose hard-voiced moguls calculate their impact on Middle America. They know that the actual work of animation is done by clever factory workers in Korea. (In one episode, they actually visit the factory.) Sometimes they fight back. Madge confronts the moguls as part of

her crusade against violence on television. She launches it after Baby Maggie, after watching the mayhem on the cat-and-mouse cartoon, Itchy and Scratchy, bops her father on the head.

The Simpsons also exhibits modish "intertextuality". At the core of each episode usually lies buried a cultural icon, an old movie or ancient myth. Detecting Crocodile Dundee, Fiddler on the Roof or Orpheus in the Underworld is one of the gratuitous delights of the series. A bookish friend to whom I introduced the programme instantly caught allusions to Henry V and the Trojan

ersonalities from showbiz and politics wander into The Simpsons. uncertain as Pirandello's characters where the reality divide lies. Ex-President George Bush buys a retirement home in Springfield and Barbara bakes cookies. Springfield's rakish mayor has a John F. Kennedy accent which keeps emerging from motel bedrooms.

Forget OJ, Murder One and Alastair Cooke. The Simpsons tells you all you need to know about America today. Why can't someone do the same for Britain? Channel 4, which would have loved to have bought the series, or the BBC, which has won the prize, ought to try. The state of modern Britain deserves reflection in something sharper

# THE LISTENER

#### **Plantin** lives on, for now

MARCUS PLANTIN, the ITV network controller, is reaching the end of his fourth year in the job. And to celebrate, he appears to have seen off another attempt to oust him.

Nasty rumours have been circulating that the big three ITV companies — Granada, Carlton and Yorkshire Tyne-Tees — were ganging up on Mr Plantin, blaming him for BBCl's success in whittling away at ITV's ratings lead. Granada and Cariton distanced themselves from this move, leaving YTTV rather isolated.

However, not everything has gone Mr Plantin's way. Inquiries about his future prompted a resounding endorsement of his capabilities from Roger Lawton, the chair-man of ITV's Broadcast Board. Any student of football will tell you what it means when the chairman expresses full support for his manager.

On the Boyle

PREPARE for an act of God at BBC Radio 4. Radio Scotland's engaging boss James Boyle. who once dismissed speculation that he might land a network radio controllership as being akin to the local priest becoming Pope", is now front-runner to replace Michael Green as Controller of Radio 4.

Not to be confused with the Glasgow gangland ex-con Jimmy Boyle, the Beeb's Mr Boyle is credited with turning around the fortunes of Radio Scotland prior to its becoming Radio Station of the Year in 1994. He is currently on a sixmonth secondment in London as the BBC's chief adviser on editorial policy. Among his many qualities,

colleagues unanimously stress his "niceness". "He has made few, if any, enemies within the BBC," according to one. Miraculous, indeed

 SENIOR BBC executives who have been led to believe they still have a job in the wake of the comporation's massive restructuring are now wrangling over office space. Will Wyatt, now chief execu-





tive of broadcasting, is to be given an office in the Beeb's central London location, Broadcasting House, and allowed to keep a pied à terre in the corporation's west London Television Centre. But what of Alan Yentob, still smarting from the fact that he was not consulted about the changes, and equally determined not to be sidelined in his new role as BBC Director of Programmes? A growing body of opinion is forming that Mr Y's hurt feelings could be easily assuaged not only by giving him an office in Broadcasting House, but by

Survive, which has been described as Gladiators meets Lord of the Flies. Contestants are dropped on to the island and set endurance tests and challenging tasks, such as building a shelter or a raft, on which they are judged. . Geldof's co-owners of Planet

Bob's new game

BOB GELDOF's television

production company, Planet

24, is understood to be looking

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the Mexican coast for the

filming of its new game show.

24. Charlie Parsons and Waheed Alli, have something of a reputation for designing shows around their favourite locations - but do they really. need to go to the expense of buying an island?

The company line, apparently, is that it will be more cost-effective to own the atoli outright since it is planning to make several editions of the programme for the international market. Insiders suggest, however, that the investment might turn out to be a handy retreat for Geldof when he just wants to escape his neighbours, former wife Paula Yates and her boyfriend Michael Hutchence.

● VIEWERS who have noticed a slight edginess in the manner of the BBC newscaster Peter Sissons need not worry. A devoted sports fan. Sissons is determined not to miss a single minute of Euro 96, and has installed a tiny hidden television monitor on his studio "desk". Isn't this distracting? Not a bit, retorts Sissons, who is adamant that he would be able to keep a straight face in the event of a goal being scored during the opening headlines. After all, he adds, it is his duty to keep fully up to date with the current mood of the nation.

# One year on, the Saatchis ride high

ensuring that he gets the one

next door to John Birt's.



Maurice Sastchi: rapid growth

M&C SAATCHI, the ad agency formed by Maurice and Charles Saatchi after Maurice's dramatic ousting from Charlotte Street, officially celebrates its first anniversary today. More than 1,700 guests will assemble at Charles's gallery in north London.

The agency's year began rather bumpily, with cramped offices and ugly squabbles, but it has bagged about £150 million worth of business, opened up branches in seven locations worldwide and begun producing the sort of startling creative work for which the old shop is famed.

it has constructed a client list which is the stuff of any agency chief's dreams names such as BA. Silk Cut. Mirror Group. Dixons. ITV ... On, and the Tory party. And its UK workforce has grown from five to 170. "If we'd done a business plan, which

we didn't, we would have had a better year." says Nick Hurrell, chief executive, keen to emphasise that "over half" the shop's business is "non-Saatchi and Saatchi-

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what the industry has been eagerly awaiting - a public, full-blown pitch between M&C and Saatchis itself.

THE debate over the use of children in advertising rages on in the wake of Bates Dorland's Saleway's commercial featuring Harry "chatting up" Molly in the supermarket.

As many as 25 MPs, including four Labour frontbenchers and one Tory backbencher, have already signed an early day motion proposed by Tony Banks deploring the campaign. Now Banks is upping the ante. Even if his EDM is not debated he plans to table an amendement to the Broadcasting Bill when it returns to the House next month, calling for tougher controls over the use of youngsters in all

And if that fails, he is fired up enough to pursue the issue directly with the Independent Television Commission. He is evidently galvanised in

his stand by a bulging postbag of letters from the public.

MISCHIEVOUS rumours have begun to circulate that the Daily Express could be on the brink of reviewing its advertising business. Key meetings have been taking place between Richard Addis, the Editor, Stephen Grabiner, executive director of newspapers at United News & Media, and Lord Hollick, chief executive of United News & Media. The account has been housed at the

rather safe and comfortable DMB&B for a decade, but the Express is understood to be flirting with the idea of a younger, more alternative bou-

Addis was spotted enjoying Pimm's at the Stella Artois tennis championships last Friday, courtesy of top ten shop Lowe Howard-Spink, which, by happy chance, has a significant gap on its client list for a nice, citonky, newspaper account.

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Private eyes focus on C4

Many people in the industry believe that selling off Channel 4 would curb its instinct for innovation

eports earlier this week that John Major is considering privatising Channel 4 sounded very much like sabre-rattling. What better way, in these pre-election campaign days, to appease Tory rightwingers than to threaten to silence the man they call the nation's "pornographer in chief", the channel's chief executive Michael Grade, by subjecting him to market

By mid-morning yesterday, how-ever, it was becoming clear that Downing Street is indeed giving thought to the issue. Although the



ALEXANDRA FREAN

Heritage Minister, lain Sproat, told the Commons that the Government would not back an amendment to the Broadcasting Bill - proposed by the Tory backbencher David Shaw and calling for Channel 4 to be sold off he did not rule out the possibility of returning to the issue at a later date. Downing Street sources have done everything to encourage the view that elling off Channel 4 may feature in the next Conservative general election manifesto.

Mr Shaw, who withdrew his amendment, says that he was not motivated by disgust at the bad language and sexual content of some of the channel's programming. Indeed, he claims to be an admirer of Mr Grade. What Mr Shaw wants to do is to build on Channel 4's current

"My concern is to turn Channel 4 into a global player. The media is a gjobal industry now, and Channel 4 should take its part in the international market. To do this it will need access to the markets to raise capital." he explains, then adds, optimistically: 'I have in mind a company that can take on the likes of Time-Warner and Disney." (Channel 4's annual turnover of more than £464 million is ts compared with Disney's £7.8 billion revenue.)

There is, in fact, nothing to stop the channel borrowing money now if it wants to because, unlike the BBC, its liabilities do not count towards the public sector borrowing requirement. In 1992, for example, it took out a £75 million loan (now repaid) to help to



Lew Grade with his nephew, Michael, who, by highlighting the station's commercial potential, is thought to have brought on the privatisation threat

cover advertising dehts and its move to a new building.

Channel 4's supporters counter, anyway, that the best way for it to compete on the world stage is to remain a niche player, commissioning and financing non-mainstream, hand-crafted film and television productions rather than taking on the international media giants that turn out blockbuster films by the yard. It is no accident, they might add, that both Four Weddings and a Funeral, the most successful British film worldwide ever, and Trainspotting. the second highest grossing film in Britain ever (after Four Weddings). were both backed by Channel 4.

The other two stock reasons for privatisation — to improve value of the product or service for the consumer and to eradicate inefficiency — do not really apply to Channel 4. At present, the station's job is to plough as much money as possible into programmemaking in order to create a high-quality product. With shareholders. its main preoccupation would be cutting programme budgets.

While it could be argued that a few of the channel's executives are superfluous, Channel 4, which has a staff of 550, is probably more efficient than any other British terrestrial television company, with the possible exception of the forthcoming Channel 5,

Any suggestions, incidentally, that making Channel 4 responsible to shareholders would curb its penchant for innovation and controversy and reduce the amount of sex it shows, does not hold up to scrutiny. Last year the Independent Television Commission made 17 interventions against ITV (largely shareholder owned) and 11 against Channel 4.

The spectre of privatisation has been raised periodically throughout the channel's 14-year history, notably during the passage of the 1990 Broadcasting Act. Until 1992 the station only paid corporation tax on its relatively small overseas earnings and it still pays no money for its licence to broadcast.

These special circumstances have made the channel vuinerable to Treasury types, who believe that selling it off could bring in around EL5 billion.

But the arguments for and against privatising Channel 4 extend far beyond a mere numbers game. Broadcasters of all hues are unanimous in their belief that privatising the channel would be disastrous for the industry. For a start it would upset the delicate balance that exists between Channel 4, ITV and Channel 5, at a time of mushrooming competition from cable and satellite

Ithough Channel 4 does compete with ITV in some areas, its unique public service remit, requiring it to cater for alternative and minority interests, means that its schedule is distinctly uncompetitive in others. It has just completed a season of programmes on poverty, and on Saturday it showed four hours of opera from Glyndebourne. Channel 4 News, considered by many politicians to be the jewel in the station's crown, is screened at 7pm for one hour and follows a non-populist,

heavyweight, political agenda. A more commercially orientated competitive squeeze on BBC2, Britain's other "minority" channel, which would be under greater pressure than ever to boost ratings in order to justify its share of the television

Despite their support for keeping Channel 4 in its present state, many in ITV believe that Mr Grade has bought the privatisation threat upon himself. Not only has he succeeded in relentlessly upsetting a handful of voiciferous Conservative MPs and right-wing commentators but, more importantly, he recently highlighted the station's immense commercial potential in his successful and highprofile campaign to persuade the Government to alter the "funding formula", which requires Channel 4 to pay tens of millions of pounds of profits to ITV every year. A new formula, proposed in the current Broadcasting Bill, would reduce Channel 4's payments to ITV to zero.

The entire broadcasting industry will now be hoping that Channel 4 is as effective in mobilising political opinion against privatisation as it was in winning the funding formula

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Giles Coren on American Express's 'globalising' campaign

The airing of a new American Express commercial next Monday will see the end of an era, as a £20 million campaign bugles the last post for one of the most repeated catchphrases in the annals of advertising lore.

Gone are the cringe-worthy interviews with very rich people explaining how the card belps them to spread their piles of eash around more easily. Gone is the close-up of the turquoise card with the holder's name and all-important member-

And gone, reportedly for ever, is the seminal early 1980s utterance, first phonist nearly 20 years ago: That'll do nicely."

For American Express is no longer just a charge card. It is a brand. And

'American

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its new commercial is based on the same indeterminate lifestyle suggestions that have habitually been used to sell anything from low-calorie drinks to shaving foam or tampons: people ab-

seiling, going out for dinner and running gaily down the street with bags of shopping. They are what Russ Shaw, American Express's vice-president of advertising and brand management, calls "a series of successful outcomes in certain lifestyle situations". For

brand, read bland. He goes on to explain the soundtrack as "snippets from the American Express back office". This comprises the familiar, positive platitudes repeated ad absurdum: "No problem ... don't worry ... we can find the plan that best suits you."

is a campaign for the heart." Mr Shaw says. "And we e there will be a synergy with the national press campaign, which will be a campaign for the wallet —a display case for our products and services.

"Our brand equity studies show that most people associate the brand name only with the charge card, and this campaign will move the brand imagery from a single product to multiple products and services, caus-ing a reappraisal of the brand and making it relevant to a broader audience,

By 2000 we hope to achieve our global vision: to be the world's most respected ser-vice brand. We are not just a green card."

indeed, the card does not feature at all. This, apparently, is all part of globalising the advertising campaign. Only 40 per cent of it was shot for the British market (red telephone boxes in green valrectly imported American schmaltz, and common to the campaign all over the

The upside of this intellect-numbing turn, of course, is that we no longer have to listen to Anita Roddick saying: "I go Into villages ..." and telling us how much she likes ethnic smells, "I know some people in the office cringed a bit,"

says Mr Shaw, "but that was more because of her persona than advert, I So there was

is not no hope for Ms Roddick, Sir Termerely ence Conran and the adventurous a green travel-agent chap? "We tried to play around with the 'Quality

People' campaign," says Mr Shaw, "but it was not going to work with our new objective - it charge card." It did, though, provide instant association with the company, something the bland new commercial struggles to do.

of money on the new campaign, Mr Shaw continues, "and the visuals - which are very original and high quality will tell you instantly that it is American Express. But these commercials will take us away from the idea of American Express as an elitist thing for high-flying executives, and into the idea that it is something that can be useful to anybody.

That'll do nicely has become part of the British vernacular, but we, as a brand, are moving on. We will play around and get some synergies going. This will be 'in your face' adver-

tising.
"In a few years we hope everyone will be as familiar with our new tag line: 'American Express can help you do more'."

#### "IF YOUR assistant reads The Economist, don't play too much golf," says the advertisement for The Economist in its appeal to the upwardly mobile movers and shakers in politics and business. "Not all mindbending substances are illegal." Still deadlier: "I never read The Economist - management trainee. Aged 42".

With the witty advertising devised by Abbott Mead Vickers, sales of The Economist have risen throughout the past three decades. It has become a status symbol, looks good on an office desk, impresses the boss and is Britain's most successful political and business magazine.

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# The British voice of authority the chattering classes ignore

130,000 in mainland Europe and 65,000 in Asia.

Its profit last year of £18 million would delight most British national newspapers. Its journalists, the last in Britain who work in a genuinely collegial environment. were rewarded with a 30 per cent bonus.

Yet in Britain, it is not only 42-year-old management trainees who don't read The Economist. One reason is the sheer weight of weekend reading now required of the wellinformed politician, businessman or journalist - above all

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the job of ploughing through the jumbo Sarurday and Sunday papers developed over the past decade. The Speciator, New Statesman and Tribune all have to be read. Add in The TLS or the New York Review of Books and the London Review

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of Books, or Prospect - the best new magazine since the death of Encounter - Private Eye, The Oldie, and all the pamphlets from think-tanks such as Demos, and there is

scarcely time to denounce Gazza or play with the childmist is also daunting. There were 136 pages last week, compared with 64 in The Spectator and 56 in the revamped Statesman, both of which - and particularly The Spec-tator — follow

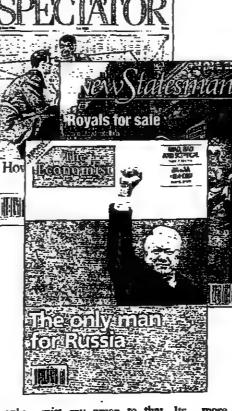
Fleet Street in believing that readers nowadays need entertainment as much as informa-So Hampstead and Islington dinner parties are much more likely to be discussing Paxman, Humphrys or Naughtie. Jenkins, Marr,

(Boris or Paul) than any column in The Economist mainly because The Economist persists in its policy of anonymity. lenkins and Marr became names to

Young or Johnson

bandy at dinner parties only when they left The Economist. Yet even in Britain, whatever the views of the chattering classes. The Economist is on a roll. At 52.20 a week, it sells about 105,000 copies, air miles ahead of The Spectator or New Statesman. "They don't pay that if they're not getting to Andrew Knight, who scorns the sour grapes of Fleet Street

about the magazine he edited from 1974 to 1986. Journalists fail to understand the function of The Economist, he says. It is not just a newspaper. It is also a news magazine offering digests of international news. For readers who want to remain well informed about. say. America, overseas news or international markets, it is a must read offering original. intelligent insights.



mist say amen to that. Its profitability gives their journalism self-confidence now absent from the broadsheets. they say, and since they are not involved in Fleet Street's fierce circulation wars, they do not need to condescend to middle-market readers. So they have a licence to be

serious, even dull, on serious subjects. Specialists in foreign affairs, who describe The Economist's foreign coverage as "superb", would agree.

It is certainly cult reading in

America and is as prominentplaced in corporate headwaiting rooms of British dentists (although Edward Heath. stung by criticism, once derided it as a coffee table magazine for pretentious American host-

President Clinton is said to be a regular reader, as is his Secretary of State Warren Christopher. Bill Gates, the Microsoft billionaire. is another addict. On his fortieth birthday, staff presented a spoof version to him with articles written in Economist

Daniel Franklin, the Washington bureau chief, is regularly assaulted or complimented on the Georgetown

party Owing to the anonymity of the articles, one tends to get less individ-ual feedback, but l find that people comment in particular on the Lexing-

The truth, I suspect, is that The Economist is leaving Britain and its increasingly insular preoccupations behind and becoming a genuinely international magazine which is read more avidly in Brussels, Washington, Tokyo or

Hong Kong than As one of Britain's success stories, the paradox of The Economist in the 1990s is that its stature is now

more celebrated abroad -particularly in the United States and increasingly in Asia — than at home. Once a must for the chatter-

ing classes, it has become their guilty secret. They know they should read it, but somehow they never quite make the

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# THE TIMES TODAY

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#### Mrs Clinton accused of lying

■ Senate Republicans released a massive report on the Whitewater affair that amounted to the most damning indictment of a First Lady in American history.

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On issue after issue, the Senate Whitewater committee's Republican majority accused Hillary Clinton of wrongdoing, directly challenged her truthfulness, and said aides had perjured themselves to protect her.....

#### Blair to reverse workers' rights policy

■ Tony Blair was heading for a further confrontation with trade unions after signalling that a Labour Government would not increase workers' rights. Speaking in Bonn, the Labour leader heralded a radical shift in the party's employment policy by warning that unions and workers would not be guaranteed ... Page l extra protection under Labour ....

#### RSPCA infiltrated

Thousands of field sports enthusiasts have infiltrated the RSPCA in an attempt to halt the charity's 20-year campaign against fox and deer hunting.... .... Page l

An elderly and partly deaf man emerged from the wreckage of the bombed Arndale Centre in Manchester after sleeping through the explosion ..... ... Pages L 5

#### Adams pressure

What explosion?

John Major and Tony Blair intensified the mounting pressure on Gerry Adams to deliver an IRA ceasefire or be banished forever from the Northern Ireland peace process. Armed rapist

#### An armed rapist dragged a 16-

year-old girl from her boyfriend at gunpoint as they strolled through a Hampshire wood. The boyfriend managed to raise an .Page 3 Dunblane 'Hitler'

George Robertson, the Shadow Scottish Secretary, removed his ten-year-old son from one of the Dunbiane gunman's clubs because it resembled the Hitler Youth .... Page 6

#### Rush for divorce

A surge in divorce in the next two years was predicted by lawyers as separating couples rush to get to the courts before the reforms become law ......

#### Rubens challenge

The National Gallery has agreed to a scientific test of Rubens's Samson and Delilah, after a group of artists challenged its \_ Page II attribution\_

#### War warnings

Israel's Prime Minister-elect, Binyamin Netanyahu, unveiled his right-wing Government amid Arab warnings of war \_\_Page 13

#### Kohi's favourite Helmut Kohl, the German Chan-

cellor, gave the most important signal yet that he has transferred his affection from John Major to Tony Blair by giving him an 85minute audience\_\_\_\_\_Page 14 General's promotion

#### A new political force was born in Russia after President Yeltsin appointed Aleksandr Lebed, a former general and the third placed presidential candidate, National

Security Adviser ...... Pages 14, 15 Mussolini mystery The shost of Mussolini returned to haunt Italy with the allegation that the dictator was shot in a farmyard by Luigi Longo, who went on to become head of the

#### 1960s... .Page 16 Church fire attacks

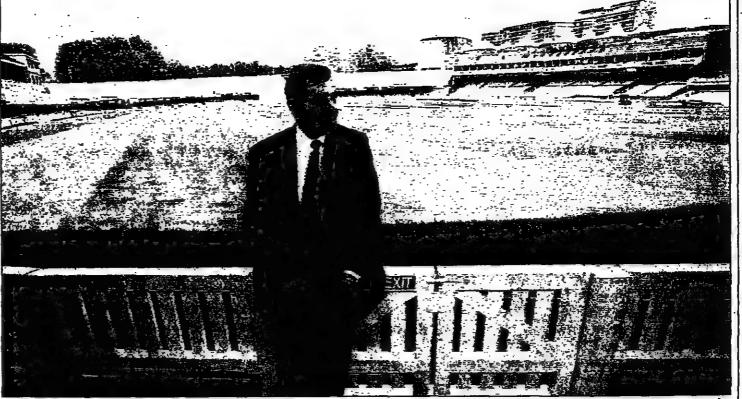
Italian Communist Party in the

Two black Mississippi churches four miles apart were destroyed by fire. The previous night churches in North Carolina and Georgia were attacked ... Page 17

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Pub toast to £70 million

Michael Cannon, formerly a Berni Inn chef, was toasting the £70 million he made by selling The Magic Pub Company to Greene King, the Sutiolk brewers, for nearly £200 million. It was the second time in three years that Mr Cannon, 55, had achieved business success. In 1993 he netted £26 million by selling Devenish, his first pub company ..



England's best-known umpire, Harold "Dickie" Bird, at Lord's before his last Test which starts tomorrow. Cricket, page 45

PSBR rises: Hopes of tax cuts in the next Budget were dented by a higher than expected public sector borrowing requirement of £3.2 billion in May ... \_Page 27

Copper probe: Investigations into the \$1.2 billion Sumitomo copper scandal moved onto a criminal rather than a civil footing in America with the appointment of a grand jury by the US Attorney's office in New York .... ...Page 27

On the buses: British Bus, the UK's third largest bus operator, is being acquired by Cowie Group for Page 28 £282.3 million. Markets: The FT-SE 100 closed 5.1

lower at 3,756.4. The pound fell from 85.8 to 85.6, falling .17 cents to \$1.5438 and .61 pfennigs to Page 30 DM2.3387

Football: France beat Bulgaria 3-1 to reach the quarter-finals of Euro 96 as winners of Group B. Spain also qualified with a 2-1 victory over Crickel: Raymond Illingworth was

considering his position as chairman of the England selectors after he was fined £2,000 by the Test and County Cricket Board ...... Page 52 Tenois: Pete Sampras, the holder and No I seed, was given a tough draw for Wimbledon. He opens

Reneberg. Racing: The Scottish-owned Bijou D'Inde beat Ashkalani, the unbeaten French 2,000 Guineas winner. in the St James's Palace Stakes on the opening day of Royal

Ascot.

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against a fellow American, Richey

#### ARTS

Music matters: To coincide with the National Music Festival, readers of The Times offer their views on the state of musical life in Britain.

Coward revived: At the Lyric The-

atre in Hammersmith. Mike Alfreds has staged a new production of Noël Coward's Private Lives. But are those clever lines beginning to show their age? ..... Cotton remembered: The latest

biographical musical is Wakey! Wakey!, a tribute to the bandleader Billy Cotton .... .. Page 40

Aldeburgh premieres: Twenty years after the death of its founder, Benjamin Britten, the Aldeburgh Festival still remains a composer's festival, with several notable premieres this year ....

#### TOMORROW

FILM Geoff Brown reviews The Rock (left),

BOOKS Malcolm Bradbury on

and Sean Connery

Jay McInerney and other reviews of new writing

#### Let's Talk Sex...

ideas people: A mood, a look, an idea seem to be the main aim of the designers showing collections at London's Bhs Graduate Fashion Week presentations....

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Nigelia Lawson: Why has coarse-

ness become so acceptable? It may

not be anything new, but now it is

different: it's malicious, mean and

sets out to embarrass.......Page 19

Building a marriage: The British

architect Sir Norman Foster is to be

married again - to a Spanish pro-

fessor of psychology who cut a dash

on television hosting a show called

Witty winner: Brenda Maddox welcomes the move to BBC of The Simpsons, the most moral of car-.... Page 24 mon series ... Political hit: The Economist's sales have risen, on several continents. in three decades and it has become a status symbol.....

#### THEPAREN

Lamberto Dini has warned that italy will not allow the British to dictate the Florence agenda. If John Major wants to talk about cows. no-one one can stop him. But the threat of blackmail

#### Preview. Vampire bats are making trouble and so is a pet poodle. Absolutely Animals (Channel 4 8.30pm). Review: Lynne Truss on a life-or-death drama from Australia.\_\_

#### Push-me-pull-you

Like John Major, Mr Blair is proving adept at telling each side what it wants to hear \_\_\_\_\_Page 2I

#### Russia's Mr Clean

If Mr Lebed's popularity does swing enough votes to win Mr Yeltsin a second term, that will only he the start of Russia's next battle against the rot within ....... Page 21

#### Fire mountains

Even sophisticated 20th-century. man draws back at times from 

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SIMON JENKINS

The lesson the IRA has learnt over these two years is that a British Government only jerks to attention, at the sound of a bomb\_\_\_Page 2 ALAN COREN

Once, if a man banged his thumb with a hammer, he cried "Danmi" This, of course, upset bystanders who hitherto had heard nothing worse than "Darn!", but pretty soon even children were crying "Damn!" which meant that, if thumb-hammerers were adequately to express their feelings, "Sody. - had to be pressed into .. Page 20

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#### PETER RIDDELL

Labour's equivocal support for the Government's policy of non-cooperation smacks of the pseudo-pairiotism and opportunism of Harold Wilson at his worst ............ Page 12 SIMON BARNES

#### Perhaps you think that it is incon-

sistent to call Paul Gascoigne a nitwit one week and a genius the next. So it is, but the inconsistency. is not in this newspaper but in Gascoigne .....

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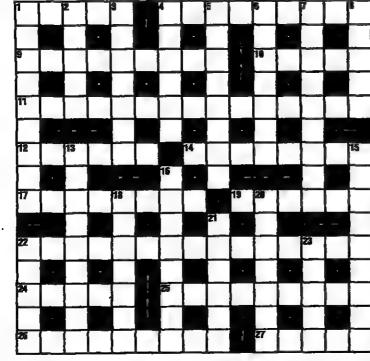
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- characteristic (9). 10 A short first play (5).
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- 14 Set table in a fashion, showing restraint (4-4). 17 Time to reserve an updated
- publication (8). 19 Book reveals after a month eggs have turned (6).
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  - loved (9). Solution to Pazzie No 20,197

25 An aroma — it can make a woman

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26 Happy with what lies inside England's borders (9). 27 Either part of Sinai? (5).

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- rail (4.5). 8 Spot on demand (5).
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- Eastern philosophy mostly (9). 16 Pass along one road as a settler
- 18 Cloth needs tack to hold it up (7). 20 Partnership's accountant laughs loudly (7).
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be mostly dry with auriny spells. Northern and eastern parts of Scot-land will be rather cloudy with occasional drizzle or light rain. Winds will be fresh in the north.

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developing later in the day. Wind light and variable. Max 19C (66F). District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, N Ireland: Dry with bright or sunny intervals. Wind light to moderate northerly. Max 18C (64F).

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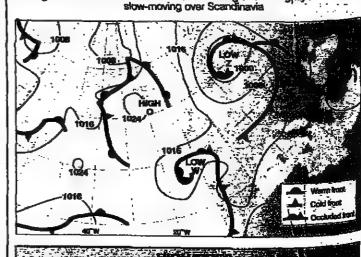
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**BUSINESS EDITOR Lindsay Cook** 

**WEDNESDAY JUNE 19 1996** 

Budget tax cuts still expected

# Borrowing to miss target set by Clarke

THE Government is almost certain to overshoot its public borrowing target after only two months of the tax year, reflecting both disappointing tax revenues and signs that the Treasury is

losing its grip on spending.

The public sector borrowing requirement in May was £3.2 billion, somewhat more than the City had been expecting in spite of being flattered by £1.1 billion of privatisation proceeds. Another element to the disappointment yesterday was that the April PSBR, originally reported as £3.2 billion, was revised up to £3.5 billion.

Excluding privatisation money, the deficit in May was £4.3 billion, worse than the total of £4.1 billion in May last year. Taking the first two months of the tax year together. the PSBR has been a cumulative £6.7 billion, an improve-ment on the £7.8 billion recorded at the same stage last year, but largely because privatisation proceeds came in earlier this year compared with last. Taking out privatisation, this year's borrowing over two months is actually £100 million

higher than last year. Although the City is broadly cynical and believes that the Chancellor will still make net tax cuts in November's Budget, if only a modest £2 billion to E3 billion, economists believe that this is not justified

Even before yesterday's higher than expected figures, an average of 43 outside forecasts suggested that the PSBR for this year will total about £27 billion. This is already well above the Chancellor's forecast in the last Budget of £22.5 billion. City economists believe that Kenneth Clarke will have to raise his PSBR projection when he unveils his Summer Forecast on July 9 at least to this level, where the indepen-

dent consensus lies, However, some forecasters were already pencilling in an even larger overshoot yester-day. Kevin Darlington, of Houre Govett, the broker, said that he was forecasting a PSBR this year of £30.5 billion. fully E8 billion more than the Government's current esti-

bigger fiscal crisis." There appear to be probmate. Mr Darlington noted iems on both revenues and ublic spending, Although VAT payments seem to have recovered from last year's undershoot, income tax, corporation tax and non-VAT customs duties are all well below the Treasury's targets and need to accelerate significantly, according to Michael Saunders, of Salomon Brothers, if the PSBR is to fall close to the Treasury's current

next month.

forecast. Spending — as measured by central government net departmental outlays - was up 3.3 per cent against May a year ago, well above the 1.2 per cent gain for the full year that the Treasury wants to see. In addition, the financial position of local authorities was much worse than a year ago. Last year, local authorities were in the black to the tune of £600 million in May. This year, the

equivalent figure was £100

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Tempus, page 30 | chief executive, said. "The new



John Conlan, left, and Graham Coles, finance director, expect to create 1.400 johs

# First Leisure set to expand

BY OLIVER AUGUST

FIRST LEISURE, the bingo and bowling group, yesterday announced its biggest expan-sion programme, creating 1,400 jobs over the next 18 monuns.

The group also reported halfyear pre-tax profits of £18.1 million up from £17.2 million a year earlier. Turnover rose to E83 million from E71 million.
"Right across all our busi-

nesses, it is the most extensive expansion we have ever embarked on," John Conlan, the openings will have a very major effect on the bottom line of First Leisure." Four new nightclubs and seven new bingo halls are

scheduled to open in 1997, with construction under way or expected to start soon. In its fitness division, a centre is under construction in Coventry and will open in August. Three other centres

around the country are to open Following the latest trends, First Leisure is expanding its Brannigans chain of bars with live music. And design work for a Snowdome — an indoor real snow ski slope - is almost complete, and suitable sites

are being sought. First Leisure said it was still affected by competition from the National Lottery. The sort of people who come to our hingo halls are the same sort of people who buy scraich cards. But at least people no longer stay at home on Saturday nights to watch the draw," Mr Conlan said.

#### Ostrich business ordered

closed BY ROBERT MILLER

to be

INVESTORS who spent millions of pounds buying os-triches from the controversial Ostrich Farming Corporation must now wait to establish their ownership of the birds, which can cost up to E14,500 cach, after the High Court yesterday ordered that the company be wound up.

Mr Justice Lightman said after the two-day hearing that the craze to cash in on ostrich forming these a "fachionable

farming was a "fashionable device for the fleecing of investors". He also called for an investigation into the "shadowy and dubious indi-viduals" involved in OFC and added that millions of pounds of investors' money had been diverted from the company which was "used as a milch cow by people up to no good". OFC is also the subject of a formal investigation by the Serious Fraud Office.

At Easter, Michael Pugh, the Official Receiver who is the provisional liquidator for OFC, visited seven farms and satellite sites in Belgium. He found 3,000 ostriches bought by UK investors. Each bird was supposed to have been electronically tagged with a number unique to each inves-tor, but investigators from Mr Pugh's office have no clear record of who owns which hird.

The Official Receiver last night promised to call a meeting of OFC creditors within two weeks to outline the position. In the meantime he will use funds recovered from OFC to pay for the upkeep of the birds in Belgium. Mr Pugh is to make a similar application to the courts to use funds recovered from Pinstripe Farming Corporation, another ostrich company, to which he was appointed provisional liq-

uidator on Monday. Stephen Whitmore, of Wilsons, the Salisbury law firm representing an action group of OFC investors, said: "The crucial matter now is that the Official Receiver clear up the position as to who owns which ostrich as quickly as possible."

The court heard that OFC took £2.85 million from investors last year, rising to £4.3 million a month this year. The judge said OFC's sales literabunch of lies and half truths".

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#### **BUSINESS** TODAY

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#### Cowie buy

Cowie Group has acquired the privately owned British Bus Group, the country's third-largest bus operator for at least £282 million, a move in the bus sector. The takeover ends British Bus's hopes of a flotation but will raise about £10 million for Dawson Williams, the company's chairman. Cowie, the largest bus operator in London, may have to relinquish some routes in the capital to avoid a reference to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. Page 28

#### Minorco deal

MINORCO, part of the Anglo-American mining group, has disposed of a 9.9 per cent stake in Johnson Matthey, the precious metals group, for about £132 million in a bought deal with SBC Warburg, the merchant bank. Minorco will earn a profit of E27.26 million on its original investment. Warburg yesterday placed more than half the shares with institutional investors. Stock market, page 30

# Greenbury gets £1m in pay and option profits

By SARAH BAGNALL

SIR Richard Greenbury, the chairman of Marks & Spencer, last year joined the elite group of British husinessmen who received more than El million in pay and share option profits.

Sir Richard, who chaired the Greenbury committee on directors' remuneration, saw his total remuneration edge ahead £9,000 to £816,000 in the year to March 31. His total reward was

pushed over the £1 million mark by a £266,000 gain on exercising share opcompared with



Greenbury: edged ahead

£91,000 in the previous year. Overall, 12 Marks & Spencer directors made total gains of nearly £2 million on exercising share options during the

Of this, nearly £1.5 million was netted by the company's top five directors.

According to the compa ny's annual accounts, Keith Oates, deputy chairman and finance director, was the second highest paid direc-tor, with a total pay packet of £524,000. Mr Oates also made a £317,000 gain on exercising

share options. Overall, the total remuneration, excluding share option gains, paid to the group's directors slipped from £5.8 million to £5.7

The company lifted pretax profits 7.2 per cent to £993.7 million and raised the dividend paid to share-

holders by 10 per cent. Sir Richard, 59, has been with the company for 42 years. According to the company's annual accounts, if he retired at 60 would be entitled to a pension of

£423.000 а усаг. This amount would fall when he reached state pension age. His annual pension entitlement has increased from £399,000 last

# US starts criminal inquiry into copper scandal

INVESTIGATIONS into the \$1.2 billion Sumitomo copper scandal were yesterday moved on to a criminal rather than a civil footing in the US with the appointment of a grand jury by the US Attorney's office in New York. A criminal investigation

is also under way in Britain led by the Serious Fraud Office. The grand jury will examine Sumitomo's dealing in the US and its links with at least two commodities trading firms. David Campbell, a cofounder of Global Minerals and Metals, has been subpoenzed to give evidence. The company said that it would eventually be shown that it

had done nothing wrong. Sumitomo was by far Global's largest customer, and Mr Campbell

had known Yasuo Hamanaka, the rogue copper trader who has inflicted losses of at least \$1.2 billion on Sumitomo. Some copper traders believe that, in its first year of trading, Global earned around \$150 million from its relationship with Sumitomo. Copper central to the Sumitomo scandal is being stored at the Metro International Trade Services warehouse in California.

Sumitomo opened two brokerage accounts in London, at Merrill Lynch and Rudolf Wolff, over which it gave Global power of attorney — thus effectively guaranteeing the firm's dealing in London. Sumitomo said these accounts were set up by Mr Hamanaka without its knowlege, and that they only came to light in

BY RICHARD THOMSON IN NEW YORK AND ROBERT MULER IN LONDON May after an investigation. Both Global and Merrill, however, claim that Sumitomo officials more senior than Mr Hamanaka knew and approved the accounts. After the investigation a senior executive in Merrill Lynch's copper dealing division left the firm. It is understood that the Securities and Futures Authority. the UK's watchdog for brokers and futures dealers, is now studying the

> Executives of Global and Birch Brokerage, a New Jersey copper trading firm, are reported to have had close ties with the Winchester Commodities Group and Iceni Commodities Group. The SFA looked into Winchester's dealings with Codelco, the Chilean state copper company and recently

concluded that it had no grounds to take action. It is understood that the watchdog is monitoring Iceni and other firms operating on the London

Metal Exchange. In London today the first real test of the copper market's resilience to survive the scandal will be tested when Prime date settlement day falls due. This is when the longer-term copper contracts move to within three months of their expiry date.

David King, chief executive of the

LME, which will make a statement today on the Sumitomo scandal, said last night: The copper market this week has been orderly and very



Penaington, page 29 The Metro warehouse in California

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#### **Property** ruling imminent

VALUERS and solicitors will be tiable for multimillion-pound losses their clients suffered during the 1980s property market crash if a landmark ruling in the House of Lords goes against them tomorrow.

A growing number of property lenders are pur-suing negligence daims against surveying practices and the Lords will decide whether valuers were negligent when they allegedly made excessive valuations in the volatile property market of the late 1980s. In some cases, valuations greatly exceeded the price at which buildings earlier changed

hands. A number of cases have already been heard in the High Court and the Court of Appeal. Three were heard by the Lords in January and the rulings Thursday.

#### Cordiant buoyant

Cordiant, the advertising group, said it believed it had made up for business lost after the departures of Maurice and Charles Saatchi last year.

The company told share-holders at its annual meeting yesterday it expected revenues and trading for the first half of the year to be similar to the same period in 1995.

Charlie Scott, chairman. said: "In the first half of 1995, about £23 million of revenue came from clients lost due to the turbulent events then occurring." Big name clients such as British Airways and Mars followed the Saatchi brothers to their new agency M&C Saatchi.

Mr Scott said the lost revenue had been replaced with assignments from new clients such as Procter & Gamble. Campbell's Soup Company, the Royal Mail and Kingfisher.

#### Profits dip

Philip Harris, supplier to the education, scientific and medical markets, reported a fall in pre-tax profits from £2.28 million to £2.05 million in the year to March 31 after exceptional costs of £967,000 for the integration of acquisitions. Operating profits rose to £3.28 million from £2.44 million. A final dividend of 5.75p lifts the total to 8.2p from 7.1p. The shares rose 4p to 286p.

#### Media buy

Visual Action Holdings. the film production services company, has acquired Blitz Communications for a maximum consideration of £5.5 million. Blitz hires audiovisual and staging equipment. In 1995 if earned pre-tax £740,000

# **Cowie buys** third-largest bus group for £282m

By Sarah Cunningham

COWIE GROUP yesterday bought the privately owned British Bus Group for at least £282 million in a move that accelerates consolidation in the bus market.

Cowie will fund the purchase with a one-for-three rights issue at 355p a share to raise around £186 million. Depending on British Bus's end-of-year profits, Cowie may pay another £20 million for the company.

British Bus is the UK's third largest bus operator. It was described by Gordon Hodgson, chief executive of Cowie, as "the last remaining opportunity for a major strategic acquisition of an independent business in the UK bus industry". He said Cowie expects to make further acquisitions in the near future. Cowie, which expanded

from car leasing into bus operations in 1994 and already owns Leaside and South London, the London companies, expects buses to account for more than one half of its profits next year. Cowie said that British Bus will be immediately earnings

enhancing.
British Bus controls around 12 per cent of the UK market, behind Stagecoach and First-Bus. it employs 11,400 staff and Mr Hodgson said he does not expect to make any job cuts. Its takeover by Cowie will end British Bus's hopes of a stock market flotation.

Plans for a share offer last year were halted when it emerged that the Serious Fraud Office was conducting an investigation into Dawson Williams, the company chairman, and other directors. The SFO inquiry centred on a gift from Mr Williams to an executive at the company's bankers, Bank of Boston.

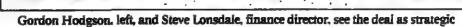
Under the terms of the takeover, Mr Williams will leave British Bus but it is understood he could make about £10 million from the deal. Mr Hodgson said the SFO investigation should have no effect on the enlarged group's operations.

Nor does he expect the deal to be referred to the Monopoly and Mergers Commission although he said the group may have to make minor disposals in south London, where there ls some overlap between Cowie companies and British Bus operations. Cowie has no more ambi-

tions to expand in London, Mr Hodgson indicated, and he ruled out any bid for Go-Ahead, the UK's fourth-largest bus group.

Cowie may now reconsider the possibility of entering the rail market, where FirstBus and Stagecoach have been expanding, he said.

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# Cost of expansion slows FirstBus

By SARAH CUNNINGHAM

FIRSTBUS, formed by the merger last year of Badgerline and GRT, yesterday reported a pre-tax profit of £22 million, down £2.8 million on the previous year due to merger and restructuring costs.

The company will pay a final dividend of 3.4p per share, giving a total of 5p, up

The strong data prompted

economy was finally on the brink of a sustainable recov-

ery, boosting prospects that a change in Japan's policy of

low interest rates may come

sooner rather than later.

Analysts, who had generally expected a rise of well below 2

Yasuo Matsushita, gover-

nor of the Bank of Japan, said

the data was better than

expected, but he did not offer

clues as to whether the bank

would start to nudge up rates:

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per cent, were humbled.

Il per cent on last year. Its intends to continue its expanshares closed up 4p at 166p. sion with purchases of some Since the end of the last smaller bus companies. financial year, on March 31.

Already owner of a quarter of the Great Western rail operator, FirstBus yesterday Manchester Buses North and announced it has formed a sit. Last month it also made an ioint venture with the manageoffer to acquire Scotland's ment of South East Trains to SBH. The company said it bid for that franchise.

Moir Lockhead, chief executive, said trading had been going well across the group in the first weeks of the current year. He said the group was "well placed to fund both further investment in rai franchise and the continued

expenditures on vehicles and

#### Japan's economy at 23-year high

JAPAN'S economy scored its ment that Japan's gross dobiggest growth in more than two decades in the first three cent on an annualised basis. months of this year, exceeding

Japan's gross domestic product rose 3 per cent in the three months to March 31 after a rise of 1.2 per cent in the final quarter of 1995. It was the strongest for any quarter in 23 years. For the financial year which ended in March 1996 as a whole, the economy grew 2.3 per cent, ending three years of

negligible growth. The news sent financial markets into a tailspin. The dollar plunged by nearly one yen to 108 yen and interest rates in the domestic market soared after the announce-

#### Standard Life opens office in Shanghai

FirstBus has bought Greater

the smaller Portsmouth Tran-

SIX of Britain's largest in-surers have begun the lengthy process of applying for trading licences in China amid estimates that the life could be worth more than £30 billion in the next decade (Marianne Curphey writes).

Standard Life became the latest of the insurers to open an office in Shanghai although Chinese bureaucracy means it could be several years before the company is given permission to trade.

General Accident, Eagle Star, Commercial Union, Prudential and Sun Alliance have already established an

#### Mayflower's plans may be thwarted

By Sarah Cunningham

MAYFLOWER Corporation. the UK specialist engineering company, may be thwarted in its efforts to expand in Ameria surprise counterbid for Pullman, the manufacturer of automotive components.

Mayflower shares fell 132 p to 1082p yesterday after it emerged that Puliman, owner of Clevite, the US auto components maker, had accepted a \$300 million offer by Monroe Auto, a Tenneco subsidiary, Earlier this month, Mayflower announced an agreement to acquire Pullman for \$266

Pullman said it would pay Mayflower an \$8.5 million expense fee in accordance with the terms of the agreement. Mayflower said: "The directors of Mayflower are currently considering the position and a made as soon as practicable."

Mayflower had planned to

partly fund the purchase of Pullman with a seven for 10 rights issue to raise £139 million. If it does not pursue the offer for Pullman, the rights issue will be cancelled. Mayflower's last big pur-

chase was in August when it bought Walter Alexander, the bus maker. It is best known as maker of the bodies for Rover Group's MGF sports car and for the next generation of Rolls-Royce and Bentley models.

#### Terrorist insurance premiums to soar

By Marianne Curphey

BUSINESSES face multimiliion-pound increases in insurdamage from terrorist attacks after the bombing of

Manchester by the IRA. Pool Re, the governmentbacked collective insurance scheme, has announced that from today it will withdraw the 40 per cent discount it had previously offered to businesses after the ceasefire.

This means that premiums this year and next will be almost doubled.

The huge IRA bomb in London's Docklands in February is now estimated to have cost £100 million. Pool Re had said previously that if claims

for repairing South Quay cost more than £75 million, it would require businesses to pay the balance between the full premium and the dis-

counted rate. Some estimates put the damage in central Manchest-er at £200 million.

Pool Re said yesterday that the full annual premium (ie the 100 per cent amount) must be paid within 30 days of the commencement of cover, and businesses which had purchased full terrorism cover during the 1996 underwriting year had to pay the 40 per cent balance within 30 days of the expiry of the period of insurance.

#### BUSINESS ROUNDUP

#### **Greene King goes** for rights issue

GREENE KING, the pubs and brewing company, said vesterday that it would be making a two-for-five rights issue at 545p a share to help to pay for the £197.5 million acquisition of the Magic Pub Company. The company said that it hoped to raise £90 million from the rights issue. Greene King added that it expected the Magic Pub deal to be earnings enhancing from the first year and anticipated cost savings of £3 million. The acquisition of the 270 pubs will double the size of the Greene King retail estate and allow the company to expand into London and the South East.

Greene King also unveiled a 12 per cent increase in pretax profits to E25 million on increased turnover of £165 million. a rise of 7 per cent. The total dividend was increased II per cent to 15.5p, with a final dividend of IIp, payable on September 5. Shares in the company had advanced 14p. to 692p, by the close of trading yesterday.

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#### **Electricity protest**

THE Electricity Association, which represents the electricity supply industry, has protested over a European Union proposal that would give European companies access to the liberalised electricity markets of Britain and Scandinavia while keeping their own markets largely closed to outside investment. Italy's proposed compromise for a single European electricity market, to be voted on tomorrow, was condemned by David Jeffries, president of the Electricity Association. The new Italian presidency text of the directive provides for an initial 24 per cent opening of member states' markets, rising to 33 per cent after six years. Mr Jeffries, who is also chairman of National Grid, said: "This is contrary to the concept of the single market and will not prove sustainable in the long term."

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#### **RAF** shortlist

MCDONNELL DOUGLAS, the American aerospace company, appears to have moved into prime position for a £650 million RAF missile contract. It has been chosen as one of two bidders for a new weapon system for the US Air Force and Navy. McDonnell Douglas and Lockheed/Martin were chosen by the US Defence Department to develop a nextgeneration missile system. "Joint Air-to-Surface Stand-off Missile" (JASSM), for long-range missions. The choice will be announced in 1998, for a contract for 2,400 missiles.

#### C&W's £60m bonus

CABLE AND WIRELESS, the UK telecommunications company, will earn an exceptional profit of £60 million when shares in Asia Satellite Communications are floated on the stock markets in both Hong Kong and New York. Cable and Wireless, which is a founding investor in AsiaSat, initially held a 33.3 per cent stake in the company. Its remaining shareholding, of 23 per cent, is worth around £150 million, based on AsiaSat's initial public offering price of HK\$20 per share.

#### **Eurotherm advances**

EUROTHERM, the controls and instrumentation company, reported an 18.4 per cent increase in first-half profits yesterday but the company said there was evidence the economic environment was now less buoyant, particularly in Germany. Profits were £18.7 million in the six months to March 31, against £15.8 million, and earnings rose to 13.4p a share from 11.7p. The interim dividend is lifted to 4p from 3p. The shares took a 24p tumble to 613p yesterday.

#### Hazlewood's challenge

HAZI EWOOD FOODS, the fresh mests and foods supplier, said trading conditions remain very challenging. Yesterday the company reported profits of £34 million before tax for the year to March 31, with earnings of 13.59p. This compared with losses of £37.6 million previously after a £56.6 million exceptional loss on the sale and termination of businesses, and a loss per share of 19.20p. The total dividend is held at 6.7p a share, with a maintained final of 4.3p. The shares fell lp to 101p.

#### Tring reduces dividend

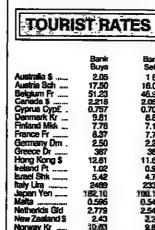
TRING INTERNATIONAL GROUP, the music, video and CD-Rom publisher and distributor, is reducing the total dividend to 1.92p a share from 4.62p with a final 0.5p, after pre-trax profits fell to £3 million from £5.8 million in the year to March 3l. Earnings fell to 4.62p a share from 9.09p. The shares rose lp to 37p yesterday. Although turnover improved to £28.6 million from £25.5 million sales have been achieved at lower average prices. million, sales have been achieved at lower average prices, while costs have grown with the increased volumes.

#### IWP International up

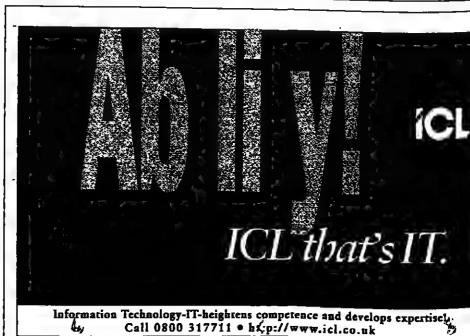
IWP INTERNATIONAL, the Irish household goods and personal care company, lifted profits to IrE18.15 million before tax in the year to March 31 from IrE16.6 million previously despite a net exceptional charge of fr £3.46 million. Earnings improved to Ir31.1p a share from Ir29.9p. The total dividend rises to Ir9.7p a share from Ir8.8p, with a Ir5.7p final. IWP said the acquisition of Burlington Toiletries, based in Britain, had enhanced its position in the European household products and personal care private label market.

#### Watson & Philip growth

WATSON & PHILIP, the food distribution and retailing group, expects to expand its Alldays convenience stores chain by at least 100 outlets in the current financial year, giving a total of about 540 outlets. In the six months to April 28, Alldays lifted operating profits by 31 per cent and helped group pre-tax profits to advance to £6.78 million from £6.32 million. Earnings were 12p a share, up from 11.3p. The interim dividend is increased to 5.3p a share from 5p. The shares rose 9p to 554p yesterday.



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☐ WHO would have guessed ten years ago where the bus industry would be today? In 1986, as the centrepiece of bus privatisation and deregulation, state-owned National Bus was split into tiny pieces and sold for peanuts to managers. Councils had to end blanket subsidies to municipal services, and streetwise outsiders were freed to start up whatever competing routes they liked after filling a few simple forms.

If the enterprising Cowie group is allowed to buy British Bus this summer, it will pay the going 1996 rate of El per El of turnover (some have paid more). And that is because three big companies - FirstBus, Stage-coach and Cowie - will then control about 56 per cent of all

the bus services in the country. Cowie reckons its coup, thanks to the SFO spoiling a British Bus flotation, is the last available on this scale. Stagecoach might agree. Its rampant expansion has run so deep into regulatory sands that it is trying to climb out via the courts. But with a couple of others on the heels of the big three, consolidation still has a way to go. In the meantime, a thousand flowers bloomed, faded, died or were pressed between takeover documents. Hail to the exciting era of competition, and goodbye.

Big operators, including Nat-

ional Express coaches, have al-

# Room for one regulator on top

vices. Three top companies have so far won franchises and it is a fair bet that bus operators will end up owning much of the rail passenger business too, preferably in the same places as their bus services. Indeed if you win a rail franchise, you quickly try to mop up smaller local bus services on the line.

As the Monopolies and Mergers Commission noted after one of myriad investigations into malpractice by the competition authorities, the big bus operators show no inclination to compete against each other. Surprise, surprise. The free-for-all has had the desired effect of cutting subsidies from taxpayers, even though most of the cost was paid for by real wage cuts and higher fares, and the fall in passenger

numbers has accelerated. If you forget the competition shibboleth, however, consolida-tion may not be a bad thing. It brings order out of the worst kind of predatory behaviour. It allows a monopoly to develop routes where there is not enough traffic for two to make money, it

ready moved into railway ser- helps pay to replace ageing buses and it holds out some hope for hard-pressed bus workers.

Regulation of conduct, service and fares is inevitable, and logically under the wing of John Swift, the rail regulator. The volumes of detailed assurances now routinely required after a takeover show that it has already arrived in a chaotic, piecemeal way. Even regulation, it seems, is ripe for consolidation.

#### Up to a point, **Lord Copper**

□JUST as precious few traders on the floor of the London Metal Exchange have ever been down a Chilean copper mine or could name six common industrial uses for the metal, few outside the arcane and hermetically sealed world of the LME have much idea how it works.

One villain has emerged from the Sumitomo affair. He is Mr Five Per Cent himself, Yasuo Hamanaka, who does not appear to have much to say for himself. Everyone else involved is, not surprisingly, putting up a dust PENNINGTON



storm of claim and counterclaim. The LME was tipped off years ago that all was not well with Sumitomo but has taken up

to now to act, say its critics.

True, but the LME, if you believe the Japanese papers warned Sumitomo twice over the past half decade that Mr Five Per Cent was up to no good. The company did nothing. The exchange's powers to act were hampered by the fact that Sumitomo is not a member but trades through intermediaries. Other regulators were hamstrung because Mr Hamanaka lived in Japan and traded in London using firms based in both London and New York. LME traders may have had little interest in blowing the whistle on Mr Hamanaka's decade of trying to corner the world market because some were doing rather

nicely betting against him.

These are just the sort of overlapping accusations that can be expected in the wake of a serious financial scandal like this. Eventually the truth will come out. But two facts are already self-evident.

The market survived. The price of copper remained within acceptable bounds rather than falling off the bottom of the graph, and the damage on settlement day today to most

traders looks set to be limited.
The second is that if no one takes too much credit, the LME can expect to emerge with none at all. The exchange was just beginning to shake off its image as the last of the gentlemen's trading clubs, and now this happens. If policing the market and protecting those who trade on it was outside its abilities, then there is no justification for the LME's continued existence. If there were too many regulators involved, then perhaps there should be one. This column has argued before the need for a

super-regulator. The pity is that the argument will probably be just as strong the next time something goes badly wrong.

#### A match in name only

AS the great John McEnroe has been known to suggest in his gentle and understated way, there can often be some debate as to whether the ball is in or out. There is certainly a whiff of chalk dust about the status of David Lloyd, tennis star turned highly successful businessman. Shareholders in Whitbread,

which paid rather too much for Mr Lloyd's tennis clubs last year, were treated to a surreal display at yesterday's annual meeting. Sir Michael Angus, the chair-man, suggested the situation was "under control", an underwhelming response to re-cent reports that his company

and Mr Lloyd had fallen out. Meanwhile, a stony-faced David Lloyd was sitting on his racket some feet away. He had been rather more outspoken three weeks ago in an emotional

address to some of his staff. He told them he was leaving. His plans are important to Whitbread shareholders because

of the £200 million that the group paid for David Lloyd Leisure, £40 million was reckoned to be for him alone, or at least for the continuing use of his name. This Whitbread has, for a quarter of a century. But a public bust-up would not help maintain the useful fiction that he and the clubs are still one and the same.

This is why the two parties are trying to paper over the cracks in public at least, even if in private they may be communicating by lawyers alone. Eventually, Mr Lloyd will have to clarify his position. He may want to run the clubs, but Whitbread has its own management team in. He can continue as a figurehead, as the company would prefer. Or he can walk. But the present tiebreak cannot continue forever.

#### Wing and a prayer

DEQUALLY surreal is the latest from the ostrich wars. There may be 5,000 of the wretched birds on the loose, as investors hope, in which case each might get his or her promised beast. More likely there are far fewer. However large the herd, its shepherd must now be the Official Receiver. Whoever said accountancy was boring?

# Carpetright continues to expand as profits soar

By CARL MORTISHED

CARPETRIGHT, the rapidly expanding retailer whose chairman is Lord Harris of Peckham, achieved a 28 per cent boost to pre-tax profits last year but the rise to £25.2 million was not enough to impress the City and Carpetright shares fell 6 per cent to 585p.

New stores helped to fuel a 31 per cent rise in sales to £185 million and the company intends to use its debt-free balance sheet to expand the chain from 200 sites to 260 by the end of April next year.

Lord Harris said yesterday that Carpetright had maintained growth in a very depressed market and increased its market share to 12 per cent. "Our aim is to achieve 30 per cent of the market over the next few years," he said.

He said trading since the start of the financial year in



Harris: growth maintained

Carpetright increased sales from existing stores by 13 per cent during the year to April 30 and the company expects to benefit in due course from signs of recovery in the housing market.

May was above expectations.

City analysts said the results fell about El million short of their profits expectations. The expense of launching new stores cost Carpetright £1.6 million last year, including the creation of two new brands. Carpet Depot, the out-of-town superstore format, and Premier Carpet concession format. By the end of April. the group had opened 37 Premier Carpet concessions and nine Carpet Depots, while Carpetright has added a further 18 stores.

The company is spending E13 million to build a further 25 Carpet Depots and Lord Harris reckons there is scope for 70 across the country. Another 30 Premier Carpets will open by April as well as 25 more Carpetright outlets.

Carpetright finished its financial year with net cash resources of £13.2 million. The company is paying a total dividend of 14.5p, up 38 per cent on the previous year after earnings of 22.3p, up a third.

Carpetright invested £18 million in its business last year but strong cashflow enabled the company to end the year with net cash in the bank.

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# Johnson Matthey stake brings Minorco £27m

American mining group, was busy calculating its profit after disposing of nearly 10 per cent in Johnson Matthey, the precious metals group.

Minorco sold the 21.3 million shares to SBC Warburg. the broker, at 618p each as part of a bought deal. That is a profit of £27.26 million on its original investment. In 1993 Minorco reamed up with Johannesburg Consolidated Investments to form Garrick Investments, a joint venture company. Garrick paid Charter Consolidated 490p a share for its 19.8 per cent stake in Johnson Matthey, JCl will continue to hold its 9.9 per cent

By the close of business a total of 33.87 million Johnson Matthey shares had changed hands, after allowing for double counting. Warburg said it had placed more than half the shares with various institutions at 625p a share. Once the placing has been completed that is a profit on the transaction of almost £1.5 million. Johnson Matthey closed 20p

The rest of the equity market traded in narrow limits as investors anxiously awaited this week's welter of economic numbers, including the retails sales money supply numbers. Without much of a lead from Wall Street, the FT-SE 100 index closed 5.1 down at 3,756.4, with racing at Royal Ascot and Euro 96 proving more absorbing to most investors. A total of 749 million

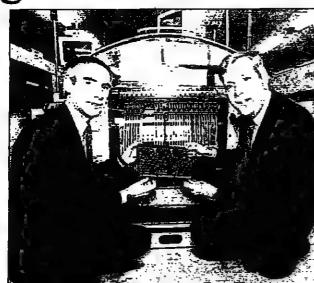
shares had traded by the close. Among blue chips, Smith & Nephew stood out with a rise of 54p to 2154p, on turnover of 7.82 million shares, with brokers reporting strong demand from the US. Brokers say the group is about to launch a new skin treatment.

Heavy turnover was also reported in Sears as the price slipped 1p to 103p on turnover of almost 10 million shares. There has been talk that the group is on the lookout for a

Rolls-Royce marked time at 227p in spite of announcing it had been selected by Boeing to supply its RB211 engine for up to 94 B52H strategic bombers. Barclays Bank was a firm

3i stake this week. The shares rose 18p to 800p. from Eurotherm,

million profit on the sale of its



Peter Wade, left, with Claes Hultman of Eurotherm

where Claes Hultman is chief executive and Peter Wade, chief operating officer, as the share price tumbled 32p to with brokers downgrading their profit numbers for the full year. The fall in the share price was attributed to cautious comments about current trading and evidence of growing research and development costs. The

Tom Cobleigh, the managed pubs group that came to market last November at 150p, was steady at 253p. Whispers in the market suggest that a large stake may be up for grabs, providing the springboard for a full bid. Whitbread, which is on the lookout for suitable acquistions, is seen as the most likely bidder.

City also failed to muster much enthusiasm for full year figures from Carpetright. Pretax profits were up almost onehaving more than doubled to a peak of 644p in the past year alone, the group's rating is becoming increasingly difficult to maintain. Tony Shiret. retail analyst with BZW, took a tough stance reducing his

talised at £37 million. After hitting a peak of 138p, the shares ended the day at 131p. Strong demand was reported for Fibernet, with almost 2 million traded as brokers made a price in 5,000 at a time. Fibernet specialises in the installation of fibre optics for high speed digital net-

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Fibernet could not have

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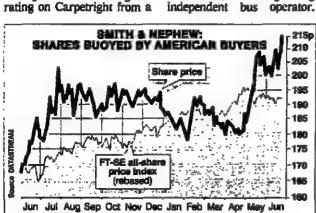
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FirstBus, the fast-growing



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Meanwhile. Cowie Group is snapping up British Bus. Britain's third largest bus operator, for £282 million. To help to finance the deal, Cowie is arranging a one-for-three rights issue at 355p. Cowie rose 3p to 409p.

Greene King is doubling the size of its managed house estate with the purchase of the Magic Pub group for almost £300 million. The deal will be financed by a heavily discounted two-for-five rights issue at 545p raising 590 million. Greene King also announced a 16 per cent rise in pre-tax profits last year. The shares rose 24p to 692p.

Encouraging signs of a pickup in consumer spending coupled with some better than expected half-year profits lifted First Leisure, owner of the Blackpool Tower, 11p to 369p.

Capital Radio marked time at 679p. Goldman Sachs, the broker, has arranged to borrow stock in the company.

Haziewood, the food supplier, was steady at 102p after unveiling full-year figures in line with expectations. The group gave warning that it may have to make provisions totalling £2 million relating to mad cow disease.

A profit setback and a cut in the dividend left Banner Homes 5p lower at 73p. GILT-EDGED: London reflected a positive performance by overseas bond markets with the longer end of the market finishing with gains of

about £4 in thin trading. The Bank of England has confirmed plans to auction £3 billion of Floating Rate Note Treasury Stock 2001. Remaining supplies of this week's taplet Treasury Index-Linked 2003 were exhausted vesterday, while index-linked issues at the longer end closed with gains stretching to £'s at their

In the futures pit, the Sep-tember series of the Long Gilt finished seven ticks better at £1041316 as a total of 41.000 contracts were completed. In longs, Treasury 8 per cent 2015 rose £932 to £961732, while at the shorter end Treasury 8 per cent 2000 was unchanged at

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# **TEMPUS**

# So far, so bad

A MONTH is a long time in public finance. ten months an age. So the gilt-edged market shrugged off an unexpectedly high Mav borrowing requirement and an upward revision of April. May was hurt by lower local authority surpluses. Direct tax receipis are dull despite new buoyancy in the high street. but Kenneth Clarke can expect a 11 billion plus one-off boost to VAT receipts in June.

Even so. Mr Clarke's room for manoeuvre ahead of the election is shrinking fast. He is already making quite a virtue of the "watch my lips, no irresponsible tax cuts" line. Come the autumn, there may be no other kind of tax cuts available. After only two months of the new financial year, but after the sorry experience of the last few months of the last one, the Treasury needs to abandon its forecast that the PSBR will fall from £32

billion to £22.5 billion this year. Nearer £26 billion perhaps? In his July forecast, Mr Clarke is also likely to abandon his 3 per cent growth forecast for 1996, being virtually the only one still clinging to it. But if the economy is to achieve even a reduced 234 per cent target this year, without the aid of further fiscal aid. he is likely to want to browbeat a weakened Eddie George into more, if tiny, cuts in shortterm interest rates.

Attempts to stoke up housing and land markets before the election are showing some results. This will make bond investors more nervous than an obstinately high budget deficit. Further efforts to ease monetary policy, if pursued with the Chancellor's usual blithe disdain, would steepen the yield curve, as in some continental markets, rather than help the interest rate structure down.

#### Carpetright

CARPETRIGHT is not going wrong but, if investors are chastened after seeing the stock tumble yesterday. they will have been done a favour.

The shares have doubled over the past year, reaching the dizzy multiple of 27 times earnings before an unexciting set of figures caused a loss of confidence.

The trouble is that expecta tions have run too far ahead and investors had allowed themselves to forget that growth carries a price.

In each terms, Carpetright has no trouble paying for its expansion. The company turns over its stock about ten times a year and, with credit terms of 45 days, the operation is more than self-financing. However, keeping the momentum going in new stores is more difficult and

brings with it other risks. Carpetright is not only extending its coverage of the country but expanding the size of its stores with the Carpet Depot format.

Like-for-like sales growth of 13 per cent was impressive but was achieved in part with a one-point slip in gross margin. As the stores mature. Carpetright should recover its margins but growth

More Carpet Depots will bring the group head to head with Allied Carpets, its rival, and a more fundamental margin threat. To justify its premium 6.5

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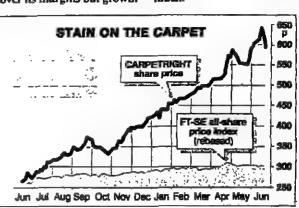
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rating. Carpetright needs to keep earnings growing by a third for the next two years. That may be asking too much.



#### Hazlewood

"MAD COW" disease is a minor distraction for Hazlewood Foods. A 52 million charge for lost sales and extra costs is an unfortunate blow but the delicatessen and with high input prices well before the BSE scare, causing its operating margin to fall

Hazlewood Foods has made big strides over the four years, shedding duff businesses, such as shellfish and icecream, while at the same time investing in convenience foods. The results are beginning to show through: volumes were up 4 per cent but the group's return on sales rose half a point, with bigger gains in ready meals and harvest

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tracts to supply convenience supermarkets. Hazlewood has invested £180 million over four years but even the market leader, Northern Foods is only earning a 6-7 per cent margin from this business and Hazlewood's margin is now within that range.

Logic suggests that a business with high investment barriers, growing at 10 per cent per annum ought to be a winner but in this case the consumer has been able to keep margins low. Hazlewood is in recovery but expect no fireworks.

#### Greene King

GREENE KING will need a lucky charm when it takes over the Magic Pub Company in September. The East Anglian company paid a hef-Pub, a price which leaves little room for error.

turned the chain into a highly profitable estate, last year just £84 million turnover. It good geographical fit, allowing the company to expand out of its East Anglian heartland into the South East.

Magic Pub's founder is leaving in September but the middle management is staying on, which should ensure some continuity. Magic Pub's loud decor and pub memorabilia may not be to everyone's taste but the formula has succeeded in keeping a large clientele propping up the bar.

Even with the 2 for 5 rights issue. Greene King reckons the deal will immediately enhance earnings. The company also aims to squeeze £3 million of costs out of the business. Revised profit estimates for next year place the company on a price earnings With promising growth pros-

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value of Hong Kong's foreign exchange

reserves, is a tidy sum in any language.

question on everybody's lips is: can

China be trusted not to raid the kitty?

The cash has accrued largely because

of Hong Kong's phenomenal growth

since the Second World War, its

position as the world's entrepot for

China, and the Government's owner-

ship of land that has been subject in the

past 20 years to the headlest spiral of

This winning formula has reaped a sum a third greater than Britain's

foreign reserves (E30 billion) and easily

sufficient to pay off Britain's annual budget deficit (£32 billion last year). It

is the world's sixth largest government

spending chest, a spectacular accumu-

lation of riches for a territory of six

million people.

Only in the earliest stages of negotia-

tions between Britain and China was there any speculation that the money

could be repatriated to Britain; both

sides quickly agreed that it rightfully belonged to Hong Kong, and while the handover talks were in their infancy

the value of the Hong Kong Govern-

ment's cash assets was largely forgot-

ten. But then came Mr Patten as

governor and his reform programme. Talk of democracy and conditionality rattled China, and the vital element of

trust necessary for a smooth transition

Now, with just over a year until the

handover, economists and academics

are becoming wary of China's inten-tions with this windfall. That China's

Government happens to be Commu-

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age and corruption does not inspire

warts in Peking have begun to talk of

The most ominous indication came

last month when Zhu Rongji, a

Chinese vice Prime Minister, said he

had few worries about the stability of

the Hong Kong dollar post 1997. "Mainland China has foreign-ex-

change reserves of 90 billion US dollars," he said, "and Hong Kong has

more than 60 billion dollars." Then

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#### Going Dutch

THE benefits of being owned by a European parent company extend far beyond the balance sheet. Ballast Wiltshier, the construction group born after the Dutch contractor Ballast Nedam bought Wiltshier last year, se-cured 40 seats for last night's Euro 96 match at Wembley, where England took on Holland. The Dutch construction team flew in vesterday for a prematch bite at the company's Harmondsworth offices near Heathrow, which boast the oldest tithe barn in the UK, and returned the same night.

#### Plan pays off

THE Co-operative Bank in Manchester flew into action after Saturday's outting into brac tice a contingency plan established after the IRA bombing in 1992. Seven hundred staff from the bank's headquarters in Balloon Street, which is only 250 yards from the scene of the explosion. have settled down at desks dotted around the city, as far away as Salford and Stockport. The bank hopes to return to its original offices opposite Victoria Station tomorrow.



"Pass me another paracetamol<sup>\*</sup>

#### Dropping in

ONE hundred City employees from firms including Barings, Hill Samuel and SBC Warburg will be throwing themselves off the 150-ft historic tower of St Lawrence Jewry today. John Cook, the flower seller outside St Margaret Pattens in the City, the Rev Joy Carroll, the model for The Vicar of Dibley, and Rory Bremner, the comedian, will be among the characters abseiling in Gresham Street, in aid of the Church Urban Fund.

AMONG a team of London chefs invited to Wembley last night by MasterCard were Antony Worrall Thompson and Bruno Loubet. As sponsors of Euro 96, MasterCard invited the fiery chefs for a bite to eat at the Wembley Hilton and a chance to cheer England in its match against Holland. Neither hot dogs nor burgers featured on the menu for the chefs from restaurants including Daphne's. Le Caprice and The Ivy to thank them for their custom.

MORAG PRESTON

# China casts a covetous eye over Hong Kong's coffers

Tom Walker on what might happen to the hris Patten calls it "the big-gest dowry since Cleopatra," while newspaper editors have colony's huge reserves after the handover coined the less arcane "Treasure Island". The sobriquets are not

> of the Joint Declaration, of the Basic Law, of the utterances about "one country, two systems" - of every piece of paper waved about and debated for the last five years — is that Hong Kong's independence as a "special administrative region" (SAR) of China was to be underpinned by a capacity for self-government and financial autonomy. There was to be no "adding together" of the foreign reserves; for 50 years at least, the money should belong to Hong Kong. Peking, saddled with a huge budget delicit, has obviously

developed other ideas. Michael DeGolyer, a veteran Hong Kong watcher and sociologist, says the financial community, cowed by a climate of political correctness in passing comment on China, is "intrigued to terrified" at China's plans. Although Mr DeGolyer, a senior lecturer at Hong Kong Baptist University, believes China would not be so naive as to to just grab the cash, he can see many areas of potential "patriotic spending" where the money could quietly be filched away.

China could put pressure on the new SAR Government to invest the reserves in national bonds or pension schemes. Other supposedly autonomous regions of China are forced to take this course. with up to 30 per cent of their ready cash transferred into patriotic bonds.

Because China is currently soaking up so much of the world's capital, Mr DeGolyer says, if it can see a semi-legitimate route to domestic cash it will take it. Unless Mr Patten can pull off a remarkable eleventh-hour rescue of democracy, it is difficult imagining the rubber-stamp legislature being ap-pointed in stages by Peking standing in

Another grey area for spending could be in infrastructure projects linking Hong Kong and the New Territories to China. A massive civil engineering plan to build a railway link to China up the western side of Kowloon and the New Territories could cost more than half a billion pounds, slightly more even than Hong Kong's new airport at Chek Lap Rok: China and Hong Kong are at loggerheads over how to fund the project, but next year China may have found the answer.

Other analysts have even imagined scenarios where China could divert the money to military spending. If it decides Hong Kong's naval defences need bolstering, for example, and ships are ordered, the bill could quite possibly end up with the SAR. What excuse other than that the West is rearming Taiwan is needed? "It is quite conceivable that China will buy an aircraft carrier fleet - something it has long coveted -- berth it at Hong Kong's

from the subject by recalling how when the pound was devalued under Harold Wilson, Hong Kong's assets disappeared almost overnight. Analysts are already pointing out that China, when lumped together with Hong Kong and Taiwan, is statistically a more acceptable entity than China alone. In the balance of payments debate with the US, for example, China's surplus has gone from virtually nothing in 1979 to \$34 billion today. Economists point out that this is because much manufacturing of plastics and light electronic goods has moved from Hong Kong and Taiwan to the mainland. If their balances of payments are included in the equation, the increase in the surplus with the US is

much more gradual. In the context of global politics and trade bargaining, the day could arrive when it is easier to torget that Hon: Kong exists. "I pointed this out once." says one Hong Kong trade organis-ation economist. I got a very severe talking to: if your job is to defend the interests of Hong Kong, you do not combine its trade figures with China's. unless you really want to become persona non grata around here."

new naval base and send the bill to the

tary source. That would wipe out \$10

billion of revenue surplus for a start."

Ian Perkin, chief economist of the

Hong Kong General Chamber of

Commerce, says: "Infrastructure, bonds and equities, nuclear power

plants — it can all be dressed up as

Officials are more cautious. A spokes-

man for Joseph Yam, Hong Kong

Monetary Authority chief executive, said:

People don't feel they can talk about it

because it will be the property of the Government of the SAR,"

storehouses. The Monetary Authority

guards the largest pot, the "exchange fund," valued at £38 billion; there is

then the Government's fiscal surplus,

estimated at about £15 million, together

with foreign-exchange backing for the

Hong Kong dollar. Lastly, another £7

billion is stored in a "land fund" trust.

set up to mollify Chinese concerns that

London would loot the Hong Kong till

before leaving. China, a nation with a

long memory, likes to deflect attention

Hong Kong's treasure is in two

nation-building."

The international protest at China's occupation of Tibet has hardly been deafening, after all. "Never forget what Deng Xiaoping once said," says Mr DeGolyer. "Hong Kong is going to contribute to the modernisation of China."



#### **Keynes scores** first in the **Old Saws Test**

The surge of growth just reported in Japan should have Lord Keynes cheering in his grave. Here is a recovery produced by Keynes's own method — heavy deficit spending on public works.

This is widely supposed to be impossible in the modern world: the bond market vigilantes would never al-low it. But they have, Meanwhile, the French are proving Keynes's negative message: the futility of try-ing to balance the budget in recession. The Commission des Comptes estimated last week that M Juppe's policies have so depressed the economy that, despite real cuts and higher taxes, revenue is falling nearly as fast as expenditure.

Sound money men. whether of the Maastricht fiscal school or just monetarists, should be coaching in the nets. Tokyo has successfully defied their rules, (and proved, in passing, that devaluation does work in the right circumstances); and the recovery breaks a supposedly immutable law of monetarist economics. It started before the surge in monetary growth which is supposed to precede any upturn. It may be too early to declare a result, though. This was only the first innings; and while two current dogmas should be dropped by the selectors. one remains doubtful.

First, the duds. The practice of fiscal Puritanism has never been as rigid as Thatcherite handbag rules suggest. The French may have forgotten it, and Gordon Brown never have learnt it: but Lord Lawson, and even the Maastricht draftsmen, recognised that deficits may properly rise during a recession. Where high debt precludes actual reflation, there are other ways: the US snows that growth and employment can be sustained even with a tight Budget given enough monetary stimulus.

Current experience, then, does not suggest a world without constraints; simply a more pragmatic approach to policy making. And the strong currency doctrine seems to have retired. We are all devaluationists now - even the Bundesbank.

The irony here is that devaluation only works if some-body does not devalue. So the new orthodoxy may have a much shorter innings than the old; pragmatism wins. But can monetary policy be left to pragmatism? The money growth numbers worrying the bond market so much may reflect technicalities; or something more sinister. Glitches are easy to suggest, such as the backwash of Japanese currency intervention. Or it could be a build-up of institutional liboth in Wall Street and in this country, as fund managers fear that the bond market is past it sell-by date, and the equity bull market may be approaching it. The institutions have always been a problem: John fforde, who managed British money 20 years ago, once wailed: Why should I worry just because the pension funds are dithering?"

The case for worry. though, is simple: one L reason why the money growth numbers are high is that both the US Fed and the Bank of Japan are supporting their own bond markets, and thus creating money. This tactle breaks one of the most hallowed rules of sound management. it can only be justified by exceptional circumstances, but nobody quite knows what they are this time. The beginning of the story is clear - the banking crises in both countries - but not the

The proved remedy for a sick bank is a change of management, followed by a Government. But what happens when the banks want to resume normal business? The "sound" rule is to let them sell their bond holdings in the market; this will mop up money, raise inter est rates, and so assure order. But both central their patients are strong enough for this self-administered cure. If they are right, growth will reduce Government borrowing, and normai rules enforced in happier times. If they are wrong, stand by for bond market trouble soon, and inflation later.

#### BUSINESS LETTERS

#### Industry the loser of Ofgas proposals

a further 10,000 people. As a shareholder. I have

watched the price of British

Gas drop through the floor

due to the uncertainty caused

by the regulator, who has

seemed to have ignored many of the findings of the MMC

and bitten deep into what is already a thin hide. The Gas

industry would have a bright

future if only it was left alone

to get on with it, but I now fear

that all the good work that has been done in the past will be

undermined by a vicious in-

tent to gain political mileage

out of a company that is trying its best to satisfy all stakehold-

ers. The current share price

reflects the unstable climate

and I would not be surprised if

the company had already

reached a point where a

takeover is imminent; I won-

der if this would be a British

takeover. I doubt it.

Yours faithfully.

IRENE DAVIS.

12 Merrick Court,

Merchants Quay, Bristol.

From Sir William Arbuthnot

Sir, Ron Sandler (Executive

Voice, June 1) says that Lloyd's

is carefully applying its [3.]

billion funding package in accordance with the member-

One third of Lloyd's mem-

bership is not litigating at all

and obtains no benefit under

R&R. Only one member of Sir

Adam Ridley's committee was

a non-litigant (whose wife was

a litigant). Lloyd's is forcing

through the package by trans-

ferring money from some sole

traders to other sole traders.

ship's wishes. Not so.

From Irene Davis Sir, As an employee, consum-er and shareholder of British Gas, I am most concerned about the latest Ofgas proposals. These proposals appear to be ripping the heart out of a company that has strived to

provide balanced treatment of

all stakeholders.

I have been employed by British Gas for nine years and can honestly say that I have never worked harder than I do now. Many people in the industry are under immense pressure and stress is now a common occurrence among all groups. I have seen several colleagues crack up and recently one left the company and committed suicide shortly after leaving. These pressures are being caused by trying to maintain an effective and safe environment with too few people. I can go along with change if it is change for the better, but I cannot see the point of change for the sake of change or, in the case of Clare Spottiswoode, for advancement.

She may be trying to champion the cause of the consumer in terms of cheaper gas prices. but I doubt if the consumer will want this at the expense of safety and the livelihood of

Lloyd's sums wrong

Sir, Perhaps Lloyd's enduring

troubles may be attributed to

their poor mathematics. On

page five of their annual

report they state they have 18

council members, but their

sums add up only to 16. Page

56 also shows but 16 mem-

bers. Who are the phantoms?

From Commander

Yours faithfully, G. M. B. SELOUS,

Langley Grange,

Loddon, Norwich.

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#### Review should be carried out fairly

From Mr Philip G. Rogerson thousands of loyal employees Sir. Tempus (June 15) stated whose numbers have already been cut by 25,000 (40 per that British Gas's response to cent) in the past three years. the Ofgas TransCo formula reviews proposals was "strong The proposals now on the on presentation" but "fell curitable will force British Gas to ously short of engaging the cut up to 50 per cent of the regulator on substantive current TransCo workforce -

A rail link could cost more than the new airport at Chek Lap Kok

Tempus correctly describes BG's complaint that Ofgas has refused to provide key assumptions about operating costs and the financial models that underpin the regulator's proposals, In fact, Ofgas has also refused to provide the relevant consultants' reports underpinning its proposals on operating expenditure and capital expenditure. Their excuse — that they may be required for an MMC inquiry - is disingenuous and at odds with their claims of transparency.

As to our being "hardly a model of openness, refusing to publish (our) own pricing proposals, which (we) admit would offer less to consumers", we have provided Ofgas and its consultants with everything they have requested. In any event, what is offered to consumers depends on what gas suppliers - not TransCo - are prepared to charge. Our proposals for TransCo

charges are based on continuity with the 1993 MMC recommendations and the current price formula put in place by

British Gas may know that "it could never make cuts that would put public safety at

Can the same be said of Ofgas with respect to the allowable income?

The most disturbing part of Tempus's article was "behind the regulator's proposals is an attempt to recoup some of the huge cashflow from the pipelines that has been reinvested

in global gas and exploration"

The TransCo formula review is supposed to be based on an appropriate and fair balance of interests between shareholders and consumers It should not, as Tempus suggests, be based on the denial to TransCo of recovery of past investment, previously allowed, with income lost being made up by businesses outside of the regulatory ring-

Yours faithfully PHILIP G. ROGERSON. Deputy Chairman. The Adelphi 1-11 John Adam Street. WC2

#### Lloyd's package will not stop recurrence

Meanwhile "the best underwriters who continued to make profits from 1988 to 1992" and those managing agents who take 15 per cent commission on the £2.5 billion-plus profits made in 1993. 1994 and 1995 (with fees that is some £525 million) are contributing a mere £145 million to the Ell.4 billion of market losses. Those agents are not without responsibility for the

past. Lloyd's will force through the package using a combination of delaying tactics to ensure successful litigants remain unpaid, threats not to refund the names' own money and the fear that the

alternatives are worse. But this is not an acknowledgement of past mistakes and present injustice, nor does it prevent the same thing

Yours faithfully. SIR WILLIAM ARBUTHNOT, 14 Ashburn Gardens. Kensington, SW7.

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stands the rules of croquet, but ask

Yet for the coming fortnight, Mr

Gorringe will be acting as the most

high-profile facilities manager in Britain. As chief executive of the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club. he is responsible for 85 full-

time staff and many hundreds of

"outsource" workers who must

play as important a part as the

tennis stars to ensure the Wimble-

don championships are a success.

don, he sees himself as a club man

rather than a manager. He joined the club 23 years ago and believes

that while traditions are observed,

the facilities at the championships

a day, we want them to be able to

say that they have had a great time

the club's committee adopt a Brit-

ish compromise style of manage-

The kitchen workers,

THE OLD South has seen nothing like it since General Sherman fed his

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hris Gorringe knows a stewards and office staff who look drop volley from a after the club's 375 full members topspin lob, he can tell throughout the year continue to do

their jobs, while an army of

contractors is brought in to cope with the 28,000 spectators plus

players, officials and the media

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Some of these contracts have run

for decades, some have gone out to

tender and others have been

awarded after recommendations or

presentations to the committee.

rules," Mr Gorringe says, "You have to remember that for most of

the year we run as a tennis club

with a committee of 12 volunteers

but also happen to host the champi-onships with help from the Lawn

Decisions about contracts are

made in the autumn. The best-

known contract is held by Town

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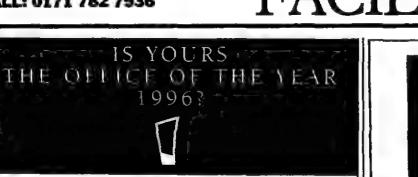
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#### **Businesses** end long campaign

Business service providers have decided to end their campaign to have Campaign to have contracting out removed from the provisions of the European Union's Acquired Rights Directive, which protects the rights of employees when a business changes hands, Rodney Hobson writes.

This change in the stance of the strongest critic of the directive and of Tupe - Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) the UK regulations that implement the EU directive, represents a triumph of realism over aspirations. The directive has produced conflicting court and employment tribunal rulings in Britain and on the Continent. The EU has been trying for more than a year to come up with a form of words that would clarify the issue.

Norman Rose, the Business Services Association's director-general, told a London conference on Tupe: "Business requires certainty from the law, particularly in an area such as the Tupe regulations, where confusion has been widespread. We do not believe that the new wording for Article 1.1 pro-posed — and now to be withdrawn by the European Commission would achieve the desired effect of excluding contracting-out. Instead. it would simply reopen commercially damaging and costly legal

uncertainty. "Similarly, we believe that any amendment, drafted in suitable terms for inclusion in the directive and for the agreement of all member states, would be unlikely to achieve the required certainty.

Mr Rose said that case law developed over the past two years had consolidated the view that Tupe did apply to contracting out. If the directive were to be amended, companies that had inherited get as many guests as possible enjoying it." he said. "Coaching can be fun and still liabilities under Tupe would be unable to pass them on. These costs could be substantial as they would relate to all previous periods of employment before the transfer."

> ilities Management, May 15) at the Royal Liverpool Hospital NHS Trust is neither scheduled for replacement nor weak on reporting, its interfaces are not limited to parking and security. Resman is working satisfactorily at more than 60 other British sites.

August when everything should finally be back in order for the out what is the largest catering rary staff to help the groundsman." members." Ray Pagliaro, manag-The chief executive also knows operation at any single sporting ing director of Equity, says.

He approached Wimbledon that if a player goes missing or any of his staff fall down on the job he event in Europe, especially in such Ticketmaster provides turnstile staff and Hertz holds the transport A less high-profile but even more will be called on to explain why to

A good deal? The company that provides the strawberries says it never gives fewer than ten a portion, no matter what the size

officials in 1985 after his company had begun to specialise in outdoor events such as the Farmborough Air Show, was asked to tender and won

when about a dozen staff will begin tidying up the place, to the end of

Tony Dawe discovers just how much work it takes to provide the champagne and strawberries at Wimbledon

Other major contractors include

Securicor, which provides a large number of guards who are supplemented by service and honorary stewards appointed by the All

contract, which in turn is outsourced to a company run by Pat Edwards, which recruits drivers to take the players and VIPs to

and from the championships.
"That's not all," Mr Gorringe

How the Americans are running the show around the world international circuit before deciding he would prefer to coach and manage.

"It's a tremendous game and I hope to

everyone's hard work.

adds. "We need 120 court coverer

in case of rain. 180 ballboys and

girls from local schools and tempo-

the world's media. Despite this, Mr

Gorringe seems remarkably calm. "The sun helps," he says, thinking

of the one factor that can destroy

improve ground shots and volleys and help players with doubles strategy. Competitions can bring out the best in players and in the long run I would like to attract some top names down here to coach and play alongside guests in pro-am

The arrangement with Cap Juluca is that the resort takes half the coaching and Burwash does, to have "reached four

#### Correction

THE Resman computer system (Fac-

#### A LEADING international tennis champ-

#### Players ionship such as Wimbledon will obviously require the services of facility managers, but even small town clubs and modestin the sized hotels are now seeking FM services to arrange tennis tournaments and coaching, Tony Dawe writes. Peter Burwash International, based in Houston, Texas, has grown to become the

largest tennis management company in the world with 85 professionals staffing 50 sites in 23 countries. It now has a rival with the formation of Tennis Professional International (TPI) which describes itself as a

tennis facility management organisation". Founded in California by Lloyd Schweiger, a tennis professional turned entrepreneur, it aims to take on all the where John Miller is the TPI professional. tedious tasks which tennis club officials and hotel activities managers hate. It will Aged 21, he spent two years on the

FM game

arrange individual coaching and classes. attempt to make them interesting and plan any type of tournament from a club "round robin" to an open championship.

One of its first contracts is with Cap Juluca, the award-winning resort on the British West Indies island of Anguilla.

playing fees in return for providing and maintaining all-weather courts. TPI took over the contract from Peter Burwash but has a long way to go before it can claim, as million tennis players in the past 20 years".

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Rodney Hobson on how privatisation is helping the Royal Navy to use its crews more effectively

# Shipshape with the contract cleaners

hiver me timbers! Landlubbers are swabbing the decks of The Iron Duke, the Royal Navy's super frigate. Care Services, which has been managing facilities at the Devonport Dockyard at Plymouth since 1991, is keeping vessels shipshape

while they are in port.
"Perry" Mason, Care's on-site manager, explains: "Modern technology has meant that numbers of staff on board have diminished. But keeping the vessel clean can be difficult. When a ship's staff go alongside, the first thing they want to do is to put right any technical problems. They do not want to be swabbing the decks.

"At sca, anyone on board may have to help with cleaning. It is a mundane job but everyone accepts that it has to be done. But when the ship is alongside, the crew can be free to do other essential work. All military personnel are trained to high technical standards and it is a waste to have them cleaning decks all the time."

Care's work includes cleaning

and drinking areas, laundry, lobbies and passageways. Responsibility for the entire superstructure includes radar, missiles and gun turrets, lifeboats and funnels.

Care's work has included cleaning The Iron Duke, the Type 23 frigate that was in Devonport this month for a week's scrubbing and polishing, patrol craft and nuclear ranges from high-pressure jets and high-speed rotating brushes to rags (always cotton) for hand-drying polished surfaces. Cleaning liquids and disinfectants are environmentally friendly.

The RN was once the biggest employer in the South West and the cutback in the Armed Services has hit the Devon town hard. Mr Mason was in the Navy for 23 years. His real name is Jim, but with his nickname "Perry", he is probably better known in Devon-port than the American lawyer-detective whose name he has adopted. Most of his staff are also ex-RN.

Having so many naval people on

clean ships at other locations, such as Penarth in Glamorgan, where there is a training squadron, Dart-mouth, and Loch Goyle in Scotland. It has also secured work in private ship-repair yards in the South West.

Staff often work in cramped conditions such as the engine room or conning tower. A specially made folding ladder is the only practical way to get into some of those tight corners. Mr Mason says: The staff are aware of emergency procedures, such as what to do in a fire. If they were down in the bilges and the generator failed, the ship would be in darkness. They would rely on their training and knowledge to get

cleared by the Ministry of Defence. Detergents can react in the atmosphere of a nuclear submarine; toilet cleaners can devastate a

Any materials used have to be

ship's sewage-treatment plant.

Mr Mason says: "We have a
great relationship with the crews. It
helps that many of us are ex-Navy."



"Perry" Mason adds a polished finish to HMS Cumberland at the Devonport Dockyard

# Move the desks, not the staff

YOU HAVE heard about "nomad" office workers, staff who use any spare desk or meeting room. Now there is a new concept omad office furniture. The claim is that it will boost corporate creativity.

Bartle Bogle Hegarty, the advertising agency, has just moved from its cellular offices in Soho's Pulteney Street to a new open-plan office in nearby Kingley Street. An essential ingredient in its cultural revolution will be "nomad" meeting tables

BBH had functioned in the traditional manner of advertising agencies, with separate departments - planning, creative and accounts management - talking only to themselves. Now the company is redesigning the way its staff work and the space in which they do so.

Martin Smith, the managing director, says: "The new layout will enable a switch to project-based team working."

Mixed teams of 16 workers, with planners and account managers working together for the first time, will sit at clusters of workstations. Each cluster is arranged around a central space, and in the middle

A new approach to workstation layouts

of these magic circles will stand the normad meeting tables at which the entire team will gather for brainstorming sessions. Alternatively, for smaller impromptu meetings, anyone can grab a bit of the table and wheel it nearer to their workstation: the nomad table is composed of separate sections that fit together

Lesley Kohler, space planning manager at Total Office Group, masterminded the arrangement. She says that keeping each team together at all times, whether they are working individually or as a group, is more conducive to creative work.

BBH's new furniture is called the TNT system, just launched by the manufacturer Steelcase Strafor. TNT stands for toujours nouveaux trucs (always new tricks). The workstations consist of a simple leg frame on to which the serpentine worktops more space-efficient than the conventional rectangle - clip on and off. James Richardson, BBH's administration head, says: "You can assemble a workstation in a few minutes, using simple tools."

The TNT system has also been used by the senior retail management of Thomas Cook, who are being decanted to a con-verted warehouse in Peterborough. Here a "themed" design by Business Design Group, with meeting rooms partitioned by canvas-like tents and suspended banners like giant sails, is expected to fire up staff

Nomadic office furniture has its limits. however. Tables on castors may be useful, but who wants to trundle around large storage cupboards full of files? Bulk storage at BBH and Thomas Cook remains firmly immobile.

In the age of electronic communications companies are busily co-locating selected people, as much to simplify their networking as to make them spark off each other better. It looks as though the physical office will remain, which undoubtedly is cheering news to facility managers.

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#### Keeping houses in order

BUILDING maintenance work on the Kinson housing estate has been awarded by Bournemouth
Borough Council to Haydon
Group, part of Johnson Controls.
The work will range from mending light switches to structural repairs on the 2,500 low-rise

☐ Mowlern FM has won the commission to manage the Public Rec-ord Office at Kew, west London, including a new £33 million exten-sion. The buildings incorporate complex mechanical and electrical plant to achieve the stringent storage conditions required to preserve the national archives.

☐ Security takes a large slice of FM budgets, so it is no surprise that more than 2,000 visitors are already pre-registered for the Business Security Exhibition at Islington, north London. in October. Details: 0171 727 7380.

☐ Brandon Hire, the Bristolbased tool and catering equipment hire company, has paid £21 million for Poole Rentequip to spread its coverage along the South Coast.

Management of the computer system that handles run-off business at Nicholson Leslie, the insurance broker, has

☐ A five-year, £3 million deal to manage facilities for Mobil, the oil company, at three buildings has been secured by Procord.

☐ The £21 million design, build, finance and operate contract for the A50/A564 link road between Stoke-on-Trent and Derby has been awarded to a consortium formed by BICC, Philipp Holzmann and WS Atkins.

☐ Entries are invited for this year's Office of the Year award scheme run by the British Institute of Facilities Management in association with The Times. The awards are for purpose-built, exist-ing and small offices in the UK occupied before April I this year, and for innovation. FM teamwork and environmental contributions. Details and entry forms from the BIFM Secretariat, 67 High Street, Saffron Walden, Essex CB10 IAA (tel: 01799 508608).

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# Donald comes up trumps again

mentarily lost standing at Claridge's door as passers-by try to guess whose is the famous face.

The whirl of the publicity machine to launch Trump International. his new hotel and tower in New York, has stilled: he's done the press conference, lunched with the FT, and awaits drinks for 300 estate agents and developers in the evening. Suddenly he looks like any other 50-year-old businessman tired from a transatlantic flight.

Then the charm machine whips into action as I introduce myself on the doorstep. I was supposed to have been ushered up to his suite for my 45-minute slot, but heck, he says, let's chat here and now in the hotel lobby. He is taller than I expected, at least 6ft 3in. His hair is swept at least three ways, the sort of hairstyle that makes one long to offer a comb.

We have both done our homework. He gives me a copy of the

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rag which is running a piece on Trump — "The Emperor of the East - as its cover story. The point he is stressing is that Trump's Atlantic City casino empire is at last beginning to realise its promise. The Taj Mahal, one of his three Atlantic City casinos, is doing record business, he says. Last year

it made a \$151 million profit. No casino in history has ever made that much money," he says. The superlatives have begun. He is. he says, the biggest property developer in the world. Period.

Mr Trump has returned. In the early 1990s. The Donald, as he is known, was on the brink of bankruptcy fuelled by collapsing property values and debt. "In early 1990, I had debts of \$8.8 billion," he says. His financial low coincided with a personal one: in 1992 he divorced bitterly from his wife

He and his second wife, Marla Marples, have a palatial estate,

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onald Trump looks mo- June Casino Journal, a Las Vegas Mar-a-Lago, in Palm Beach. Florida, now also a country club. He married the 32-year-old actress in December 1993. The bride's \$2 million tiara was borrowed from a New York jeweller.

"Now I have a net worth of around \$3 billion, over debts of the same amount. I would say I was under-leveraged at the moment.\*

But is that a personal net worth? It is the value of his business, he says, but he has near 100 per cent control and ownership of the Trump Organisation. Cashflows from his casinos have enabled him to reorganise or pay off a large part of his debts. The Trump Shuttle airline has been sold, as has a 49 per cent stake in the Plaza Hotel in New York. But the rest of the empire is intact: Trump Tower, the Trump Parc, Trump Palace and Trump Plaza high-rises in New York, plus his Atlantic City casinos. Earlier this year, his casinos Trump Castle, Plaza and Taj Mahal went public as Trump Hotels & Casino Resorts. The stock traded at \$14 when it was issued in

June 1995 and is now worth \$20. Mr Trump sees New York as his home town — "I feel part of this - and was brought up in Brooklyn, the son of a wealthy property developer. "But he built rise, moderate-income housing. Of course, I've done some of that too," he is quick to stress. He plans to build 6,000 houses on New York's West Side railroad yards, covering 12 blocks.

So how does it feel to have risen, and fallen, and risen again, I ask. "I've gone from the highest plateau to the point where the world was beating me up. Some individuals



Businessman, family man: Donald Trump with his second wife, Marla, and their daughter Tiffany

who could have helped me didn't try. I will try to get even with them."
In part he blames the media. The real estate markets were collapsing round the world, but the press reported on me. I became the poster boy for everything that was bad." Still, he claims never to have

missed sleep over his empire. So what drives him? "I'm a realestate person. Some people are newspaper guys. But I'm a real-estate guy. I'm always looking for the next deal." That could be in London. He is looking for a site for another Trump tower, perhaps even a hotel. Then he won't look



Mar-a-Lago, Donald Trump's 118-room mansion in Palm Beach

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THE PUBLICITY men dub it the most luxurious address in the world, Donald Trump's latest development, which he is promoting in London, is the recycling of a 26-year-old former office building on Columbus Circle in New York. It had

closed for lack of tenants. The 52-storey Trump Interna-tional is being modestly described as "the most important new address in the world". Mr Trump, his second wife Marla, their daughter Tiffany and his daughter Ivanka by his first wife Ivana will occupy a penthouse overlooking Central

The bronze, glass-clad building, due to be completed in 1997, bas 166 flats and 168 hotel suites on the first 17 floors, with price tags of \$8.4 million for a fivebedroom penthouse. The archi-90-year-old Philip Johnson. The other backers are affiliates of the General Electric

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Mr Trump has invested little of his own money in the scheme he refused to reveal how little. But he has leased out his name and his backers are garnering his legendary publicity-gathering and fundralsing skills. The bankers are queueing up again

# For sale: **Brocket** family seat

The 80-room stately home is hoping to find a buyer quickly

A QUICK sale is expected for Brocket Hall, the family seat of the disgraced Lord Brocket situated in Hertfordshire, Rachel Kelly writes. The 80-room stately home, built in the 18th century and known for its golfing and conference facilities, was put up for sale last month for £15 million.

In February Brocket was jailed for five years for a £4.5 million insurance fraud. Brocket, 43, pleaded guilty to a fraud involving four classic cars from his own collection which he claimed were stolen from his home in May 1991.

The sale of the estate will allow the bulk of the outstanding debt owed by Brocket's businesses to Midland Bank to be repaid. The Midland Bank backed Brocket's conversion of Brocket Hall into a conference centre and is owed more than £16 million. It is naturally pressing for a speedy

The sale is on a 125-year lease at a peppercorn rent as Brocket is keen that the ownership of the house will eventually revert to his

A hotel is the most likely buyer. An American hotel group, Rosewood Hotels & Resorts, is among those hotel companies to have expressed interest. Cliveden, the luxury Berkshire country house hotel and former seat of the Astor family, is another interested party. as is CCA International, the Hong Kong leisure group that owns the London Capital Club.

The house, golf course and 543 acres of land are all for sale. The construction of Brocket Hall was begun in 1760 and completed in 1780 for Sir Penistone Lamb, who later became Lord Melbourne. The house has eight state rooms, including the ballroom, a magnificent staircase and 30 bedroom suites.The period stable block has been converted and now provides an extra 16 bedroom suites.

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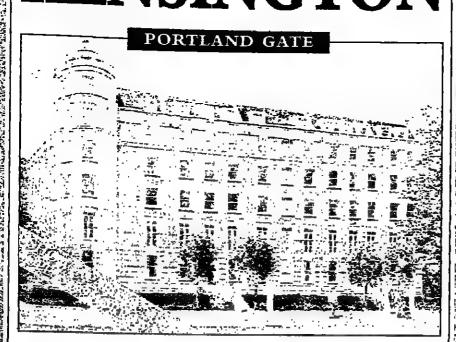
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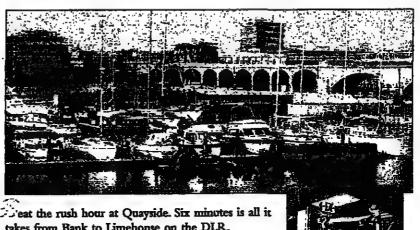
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that offering frequent musical experience or training to 5 to 7year-olds, and particularly sustaining this over two years, improves students' general attitudes towards learning. Mrs Bottomley acknowledges that the arts can be of value in helping children to develop as individuals, and in learning to work collaboratively. The new lottery guidelines (in consultation now) may begin to reflect the need for the arts to be offered to primary-age children. The arts have a special role in social cohesion, which we all now see as an urgent priority

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To celebrate this month's National Music Festival we asked readers for their views of British musical life.

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From the

The response was overwhelming. Here is a selection of your letters

### ORCHESTRAS

COMPARED with our European partners, Britain's public investment in its orchestras is shamefully low. The Berlin Philharmonic receives more than all of Britain's orchestras put together. And let us be clear: investment in the true sense is what it is. The financial return to the Exchequet in taxes far exceeds the investment of public money in grants. The UK music industry earned £1.4 billion in 1993 and paid a total VAT bill of £200 million. It contributes more than £750 million a year to the balance of payments. The Academy of St Martin has even won the Queen's Award for Export Achievement.

The traditional concert-hall audience suffered from the effects of a prolonged recession, it is true, but the audience for live orchestral music outside the concert hall has mushroomed over the past decade. Our orchestras are more accessible in the community than they have ever been, regularly working in schools, hospices, factories and prisons, with disabled people, minority groups and many other sectors of society. As a nation we should recognise their contribution, celebrate their success, and invest in their future.

Libby MacNamara Director, Association of Brit-

ON A good day our orchestras can play the pants off the foreign competition. But they only play their best for the great conductors. Superstars create a buzz and that's what sells tickets. Now the good days are fewer and farther between. London is no longer

a must for the top maestros. Abroad they can rehearse in the concert hall and repeat their programme several times. In Britain, four rehearsals can mean four different venues and most concerts are given just once. It's like expecting a painter to work blindfolded, and then to tear up his canvas as soon as he has put it

Hard decisions are required to match the conditions abroad. We need fewer orchestras chasing the same artists, venues, sponsors and funding.

MY CONCERN is the minimal coverage of orchestral recent years by the "quality" national press. Consideration by your main competitors has descended to the derisory. while that in The Times, though part of a more acceptable classical music coverage, is also negligible. In contrast to their preoccupation with opera, the critics descend on the provincial concert halls, perhaps with the exception of Birmingham's, about as fre-



Concerns about how many opportunities for music-making are offered to children were at the forefront of many readers' minds

lier decades. It is not enough to quently as ospreys alight on celebrate the opening of new halls with "cheers and fan-

the Norfolk Broads. The financial state of orchestral music is precarious. Most orchestras are grossly underfunded, and all would benefit from the greater visibility offered by the coverage that was considered normal by serious newspapers in ear-

fares". We need to know what goes in them subsequently. W.E. Marsden

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late. You should sponsor a Campaign for Real Music. to publicise and excoriate all events where this abuse continues

Peter Croft Cambridge

# ELITISM

AS A teacher, earning £22,000 a year, I find it peculiar that my taxes should support artistic institutions that I cannot afford to attend. The Royal Opera House is just the most obvious example. Either the subsidy should be at a level which makes seats genuinely accessible to all, or there should be no subsidy, as at Glyndebourne. At present, we are just giving well-off audiences a cash bonus every time they go to the opera.

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LET'S have facts, not myths. The first myth is that the increase in seat prices for opera, ballet and concerts outs them out of reach for all but the rich. Yet the price of a rear amphitheatre seat for the Royal Ballet at Covent Garden is 28 times what it was in 1963, while the average earnings index has increased 22 times. Hardly a death blow to affordability. The second myth is that audiences for classical music and opera are in their dotage. Even if that is true in the stalls and boxes at Covent Garden (a big "if"), it is certainly not true in the balcony at the London Coliseum. At one ENO performance I estimated that less than 10 per cent of the balcony audience

was over 25. Unfortunately, there is no point of contact between the average British citizen and the arts. as there is in Italy or Austria. Children grow up without contact. Even the broadsheets, outside the arts pages, perpetuate these myths and gleefully report £100 seat prices for Covent Garden, as if there is nothing less.

Children are being robbed of their birthright, and it is left to chance contact to expose them to one of the glories of the civilised world. With ignorant parents, and apathy or hostility in the mass media. widespread change can only be wrought within schools. But here the prospect is indeed bleak, for most schools give little priority to music. **Bill Kincaid** 

STUDIES by American orchestras show that people in their twenties and thirties are not used to attending concerts. There is a general perception that special knowledge is re-

term consequences of the BBC's decision in the early quired, and that classical concerts are forbidding. They are also seen as expensive. Seventies to segregate all clas-One way of dealing with the sical music on Radio 3. Radio

present funding crisis, and 4 is largely a music-free zone. also addressing the problem This would not matter so much if the balance were of declining audiences, would be a national ticket subsidy redressed once children got to school. But too many fall into scheme, paid for by the lottery. Individuals would be able to the hands of teachers for register for a nominal fee whom classical music is an which would entitle them to a alien territory. Or at any rate number of free or discounted they see it as elitist, discriminatory or judgmental to at-tempt to widen their pupils. cultural horizons. Such attirudes fly in the face of the fact

that, at least until they are

exposed to peer group pres-

sure, children tend to react

positively to new experiences.

children, irrespective of their

parents' listening habits, the

chance to hear classical music while they are still young

enough to enjoy it without

prejudice. This could - with

lottery money or a far-seeing

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ply by equipping every early-

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tions that it be switched on for a minimum length of time each day. Background music?

Yes. But so, for many children,

them the chance to discover

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tickets.

I HOPE the National Music Festival gets through to the BBC and ITV planners the notion that live music programmes should be seen more often on television. Everything else is catered for - from soan operas to cooking, travel and sport - except the sight of

people making music. London and the big concert halls are out of bounds for lots of families for travel or cost reasons. Television should be able to fill the gap. Mrs E. Mundie

DESPITE our worst fears. pered in many areas. On the ular suffer badly as it becomes

can play if you can pay". Headline-catching, cherry-picking youth music competitions in no way reflect what is where the struggle to make ends meet often makes music the also-ran in the list of priorities. These elitist events will always feature the products of elitist schools. They do little to focus attention on ordinary state schools battling to keep instrumental music alive in the classrooms. Larry Westland, CBE Music for Youth

have come across all too often among her contemporaries.

The fact that this experience is denied to today's children is partly the result of the perpetual teenagerhood affected by so many of today's parents. But, more importantly, it is one of the most insidious long-

that they only made loans to postgraduates taking a postgraduate certificate of education. I have since applied to bursaries. charitable trusts. foundations, companies and individuals. Fifty-six letters have not produced one positive result. I am left wondering just how many Rachels there are around, and why music (and dancing and acting) is discriminated against when funding can be found for purely academic subjects. J.J. Osborn-Smith Bognor Regis POP VALUES

approach the Student Loan Company, but I discovered

IT IS several years since the British pop scene has looked this bad. The Sixties and Seventies have been scoured by the Britpop movement, so now the bands are ripping off groups from the early Nineties. The problem is that many bands don't understand the difference between being influenced and pure plagiarism. Meanwhile, Oasis have spawned a series of bands who succeed only because of

the Oasis connection. Their records sell because there are a lot of misguided people who will buy whatever Noel Gallagher likes at the moment. If a hit song today is not a straightforward cover version, then it is a karaoke session masquerading as a new song. These unintended rip-offs lead to the thought that perhaps every possible combination has been used up, and that we are destined to hear the same songs with slightly different lyrics again and again.

Sarah Przybylska Cheimsford

POP may have its problems and the drug issue is one of them. But can anybody tell me why pop, which is largely supported by kids with little disposable income, should be 😯 totally unsubsidised while ciassical music and opera, enjoyed mostly by wealthier, middle-aged people, should always be tottering from crisis to crisis and need proposing by the State? If classical music is as good as it is cracked up to be, it should be able to pay its way. But whenever a promoter like Harvey Goldsmith makes it profitable, the classical music establishment pours ridicule on his head. This snobbery is part of whar's wrong with British music. J.A Baxter

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sional promoters. We welcome the much-heralded changes in the way that lottery funds are to be distributed, so that access, participation and projects for youth can be supported. A properly funded voluntary sector would be able to equip its members to undertake audience development work, because they are best placed to encourage those who have never taken part in music to do so. They know their communities and they can put the lottery money back where it originated. Russell Jones

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SUSPECT that Richard Morrison's statement that several generations of state school pupils have grown up believing classical music to be an impenetrable foreign language" gets close to the root of the problem — except that it does not go far enough. I doubt if many children would express downright hostility to foreign languages, yet this is the attitude that my ten-yearold violinist daughter and 1

This is partly a matter of vanished opportunities. When I and my musical friends were growing up in the Fifties, it did not matter whether our mothers were Home Service or Light Programme fans (the Third Programme only functioned in the evenings), as both carried classical music.

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Very flat, Noël: even the clever lines in Coward's Private Lives sound a little tired these days



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THEATRE: Coward's classic shows signs of wear; an evening with a remarkable man; the life of a showbiz trouper

# Too clever by two-thirds

oward's comedy of bad manners is an imperishable work: we know that, we've all said so for years. indeed decades, ever since 1930. But during Act II there stole over me the nervous suspicion that within the lifetime of actors now at RADA this play may not seem anything like so imperishable. It may, indeed, have perished.

have perished.

This forecast could be too pessimistle. The opening act is admirably crafted, dovetailing the duologues of the two couples so artfully that what we learn from one complements what we learn from the

other, but never leaves us complaining of repe-tition. First Elyot 6 Coward's and Sibyl, newly point married, stroll on to the balcony is made, ville hotel and all and made she wants to talk about is his first and wife. Amanda. Then it is the turn of Victor made and his new wife again 🤊 to appear on the neighbouring

balcony. Of falling wearily to course his wife is Amanda, and of course what he wants to talk about is her marriage to Geraldine Alexander and

Elyot.

The inevitable meeting occurs, Amanda and Elyot realise they have never stopped loving each other and race off to Paris together. Victor and Sibyl emerge in search of them and the act rounds itself off with her repeating the lines about a yacht in the harbour with which the act began. In 50 years' time this act could still be popular as a perfect

little one-act play.

There is more to be said of the predicament, the couples find themselves in, and Coward says it in two further acts. Much that he says is unexpected and beautifully phrased, but now repetition does come in, and swiftly, when Amanda and Elyot are rollicking around in her Paris flat quarrelling, making it up, quarreiling again.

Yes, Coward wants to show us how difficult it is for two people, both alike in flippancy, to cope with those moments when the brittle talk snaps and the insecurity floods forth. But the point is made, and made and made again.

After their other halves reappear, the interlocking duologues echo those in the opening act, but not so engagingly. We hear the unmistakable hiss of air escaping from that which was once a marvellous balloon and is now un-

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stoppably drifting down to

The cast of four seen last week ponderously working through Jude the Obscure enjoy a better outing with the Coward. The lack of a fifth performer to play the maid means some lines vanish, and she might have been usefully employed sweeping up the wrecked cushion that Simon Robson's Elyot handles too malevolently. He and Abigail Thaw's Amanda are required

to stride through feathers for the remainder of their scene.
Robson's performance, emphasising the little boy, is oddly concerned that we should all hear him. Thaw's voice swoops like a proud, swift

hear him.
Thaw's voice swoops like a proud, swift bird, and she develops a good gesture of arms falling wearily to her side, too exhausted to argue further.
Geraldine Alexander and Martin Marquez make a com-

ical Aunt and Uncle Sally, Marquez with his stiff neck and chin tucked in, backing away from Amanda as though her head was encased in something radioactive.

The director, Mike Alfreds, forgets the monolight, and a divided balcony set by Paul

forgets the moonlight, and a divided balcony set by Paul Dart means that Sybil, most improbably, must scramble over the barrier for her cocktail. Most of the clever lines still sound cleverish, but rather, tired around the edges.

JEREMY KINGSTON



Elyot (Simon Robson) and Amanda (Abigail Thaw) swap one-liners in Private Lives

BARCLAYS New Stages often justifies its boast to be "a lestival of the very best in cutting edge performance" — most recently, with Janice Galloway's Trick is to Keep Breathing — but seldom as literally as this. Photos of what appear to be long, serrated knives, representing broken nerves or their microbiological destroyers, are projected onto the stage's side-walls. Beside them is a young man who describes what it is like to live, day after day, feeling there are "a thousand pieces of glass piercing the bones, twisting and turning, digging deeper and deeper".

er and deeper."

He is Graham Cunnington, who has suffered from rheumatoid arthritis as long as he can recall. The monologue Pain, which is performed by him and presented by a Glasgow company called NVA, lives up to its blunt, hald tide in two ways. Troubling sounds and images — lurid whorls, pulsating cells, metallic bangs and grindings, even an upside-down figure spinning in the void — evoke the experience of being trapped by

# Insights from a life of agony

Pain Royal Court

pain. Meanwhile, Cunnington tells us his story in the tones, not of the desperate invalid, but of the desped surgivor

but of the dogged survivor.

His mother was drowned in
the bath while she was pregnant. His father clearly struggled bringing up two children,
one of them seriously disabled
and bewildered by his own
helplessness. Much of Graham's early life was spent
hooked up to machines with
bewildering names or being
poked at by not-very-effective

doctors. But there came a point when he threw away his pills and, he says, refused to accept his status as victim.

He seems to have started

thinking of his war with pain

as the struggle of his capacity

for love with a harsh, punish ing world. This took the bizarre form of joining a band whose members billed the iron detritus they found on abandoned industrial estates by way of protesting against Thatcherism: but the effect was cathartic and therapeutic. Conventional criticism breaks down at this point. What can I say, except that Cunnington's continuing battle with an elusive, unforgiving disease is the more impressive because he does not ask for pity or even much sympathy. He seems to see himself as an explorer, forced

by circumstances along clifffaces he would rather avoid

but rewarded by insights and feelings that have verged on

the mystical. He and Pain

merit unequivocal respect.

BENEDICT
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# Rich Cotton pickings

THE bespectacled dance-band leader Billy Cotton, the London lad who made it to the top as a variety-show host on the wireless then the box, has at least one foot in heaven. Cotton (Roy Heather), in this better-than-average musical stage biog, is hallucinating after the stroke he suffered in 1963. His sickbed, from which he keeps trying to struggle back to work defying his nurse (Daniel Coll), is adrift amid clouds in a blue sky.

In a mild haze, Cotton is remembering flashes of his life: with his father who belts him; with his schoolmaster who mocks him as a dunce; with Mabel, his long-suffering

with Mabel, his long-suffering wife. With a touch of The Singing Detective, Cotton's delirium merges friends and family Wakey! Wakey! Belgrade, Coventry

clowns of his show's sketches. The real-life Cotton resembled a baked bean in glasses. Heather looks more like the ageing Laurence Olivier having another crack at The Entertainer. But he recaptures Cotton's cockney voice and charisma, and his quick-fire rhyming patter with Neil Boorman's battered vaudevillian is delightfully sparky.

The biographical material is the basic problem. Cotton may have had several strings to his bow — flying, boxing, car racing, football — but there is little to say about his sporting activities. Mabel clearly suspects her husband has had

airly discreet with Cotton's

dirty linen.
Richard Cameron's script is no great shakes. He draws some threads together, mentioning in passing Billy's son Ted named after his brother who also died young, but there is too much sentimentality.

Nonetheless. Mark Babych's direction segues snappily between scenes and avoids tacky glitz. Instead of Cotton's sequined dancing girls we get his mother and Mabel jiving in their aprons. The ensemble are charmingly relaxed, nifty movers breezily harmonising Why Worry? The Dave Bintley Band are tightly drilled. You can tap a toe to the tunes but you might be twiddling your thumbs between

KATE BASSET

## John Allison on the mixed performances heard at two concerts in the Aldeburgh Festival

Aldeburgh Festival may have changed in the 20 years since Britten's death, it remains above all a composer's festival. A pair of concerts on Saturday featured the music of three very different living composers — Anthony Payne, who introduced his works, Marc Neikrug, who premiered his Aldeburgh commission, and Hans Werner Henze, who sent apologies for his absence — while a fourth, the festival's artistic director Oliver Knussen, conducted.

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Payne's 60th Birthday Concert in the Jubilee Hall was a

# Still a composer's festival

personal occasion performed by his wife, the soprano Jane Manning, and the ensemble Jane's Minstrels. It gave him the chance to present his music in the context of that which influences him: the English late-Romantics and the European avant-garde, represented by Roberto Gerhard's Libra, Four Songs by Britten's teacher Frank Bridge, and the original violin and piano versions of Elgar's Chanson de nuit and Chan-

son de matin. Though the Elgar came across a little casually, Payne's sextet. A Day in the Life of a Mayfly, received a tight performance. It is a fluttering scherzo cum tone-poem, and its frenetic, short motifs reflect the modernist influences on Payne's Englishness.

The thoughtfulness so typical of Payne's music was more evident in the spiritual journey of Evening Land, a setting of Par Lagerkvist poems for voice

and piano, and in the writing for flute and guitar in two movements from A 1940s Childhood, where nostalgia and desolation are evoked in ironically juxtaposed images

of war and countryside.

At Snape Maitings, Knussen and the London Sinfonietta were joined by Neikrug, an American pianist-composer who turns 50 this year, for the premiere of his Piano Concerto. The 25-minute, single-movement

piece opened promisingly, with bare, foreboding sonorities from which the piano emerged. But the textures soon thickened, and one emotionally wrought climax followed another. Before long it began to sound like a conventional late-Romantic concerto full of wrong notes. Empty virtuoso

gestures palled.
Two wonderful ballet scores framed it. The orchestra caught all the swirling colour of Stravinsky's Scènes de bal-let, in which his Neo-Classicism is warmed by Russian and Broadway influences. Henze, whose 70th birthday is being marked by this Aldeburgh residency, was heard in substantial chunks from Ondine (1958). It is a vividly theatrical score, and the story came alive even in concert. Evocative curtain music, throbbing dances, lan-guorous Mediterranean scenes and grand processionals all show Henze liberating himself from the shackles of postwar German music at a time when he also began his association with Britten and

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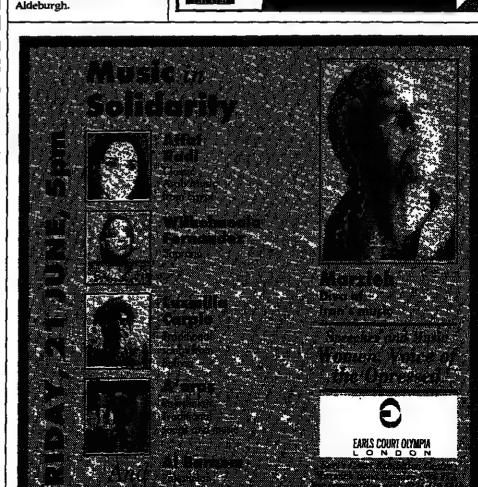
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as systematically dismantled. The Suitans - their moniker now tellingly abbreviated --- have abandoned wackiness for the primal thrill of sleazoid rock'n'roll Anema (0171-235 4225) Od Of course, the Sultans' rebirth as the bastard son of the Ramones may have

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Hilary Finch enters another world with the musicians at Wells Cathedral School

From slaves to the rhythm



stands a gracious mansion, built in 1758 with the wealth derived from the Antiguan sugar estates of the Tudway family. Its Ionic portals and exquisite interior plasterwork were built, as it were, from the blood and sweat of some 500 Negro slaves. "Forty-five pounds is a good price for an able stout fellow," whisper the family

records . . Wells Cathedral School has grown up around the Tudway family estate: its history is something both boarders and staff at the Somerset school have literally had to live with. And now, from the shady drawing room of the Cedars, resonates a strange thrumming of steel pans, gongs and metallophones, like the unquiet spirits of a past age.

World music is the latest development in the formidable musical history of Wells Catheoral School. The school's Specialist Music Scheme, founded in 1970 in the wake of the Gulbenkian report. Making Musicians, provides specialist training within the curriculum of a conventional coeducational school. Wells started with 12 young violinists and now boasts flourishing departments in academic and choral work, brass, keyboard, strings and wind. And world music.

For the first time, specialists and non-specialists are meeting and making music together on a totally equal footing. The gamelan is a great leveller. Twelve children squat, bare-footed, on the soft carpets of the Cedars's drawing room.

WHEN they burst on to the scene in

the early 1990s with their anarchic

brand of cheeky, quirky, indie pop, the

Sultans Of Ping FC were, along with

fellow Corkonians the Frank and

Walters, trumpeted as a refreshingly

humorous pop oddity - and derided

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as a disposable novelty act.



surrounded by chintzy sofas and parlour palms. Two or three of them are specialists; some have had no previous experience of instrumental music. A minimalist cogwheel of pentatonic melodic sequences is turning from a rack gongs, a cluster of metallophones, and two sets of bonangs — little gongs on

what appear to be their own wooden sofas. The larger the instrument, the bigger the note values, and the slower the tune. Within a 16-note cycle, the big gong marks the beginning and the end, smaller gongs mark the sub-sections. and the drum indicates changes of speed.

Suddenly the cogwheel slips, and the music is broken. In my eagerness to master the technique. I have stepped over an instrument - just about the worst thing you can do in gamelan. The spell is broken. Twelve hammers, wielded by 12 blazered bodies, take up the

sequence all over again. The Wells gamelan was made specially for the school in Java last year, and pur-chased by its Friends of Music. Alison Heath, head of general music and co-ordinator of world music, is thrilled by the way it has enabled general musicians to be involved in their own right, instead of marking their progress in terms of the specialists". The set of West African drums and the Caribbean steel pans work

in very much the same way.

Each group of instruments is

serviced by an annual or

termly visit by a specialist consultant who also provides in-service training for the teachers and tops up student expertise. Asian music could well

eventually take its place within the school's specialist scheme. But for now the sitar, tambura, harmonium, Indian banjo, swaramandel (dulcimer) and dolak (two-ended drum) are used in classroom music, to enable the techniques of composition to be applied within their own vivid soundscape. It works wonders for improvisation, co-ordination and ensemble skills.

Something of those exotic sounds can be heard in a concert at the Barbican on Monday, which celebrates 25 years of the school's specialist

music scheme. But performance at Wells is never an end in itself. The world music department is already offering workshops in local primary schools. A World Music Centre has recently been opened, providing opportunities for people outside the school to take up weekend and holiday courses. "Our whole philosophy", says John Baxter, the Head Master, "is to enable our music to be part of community provision. Increasingly we feel we have a responsibility to put back something of what we've

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But for O'Flaherty's sultry pout and

there has to be an audience there for Sultans him to feed off — and Mean Fiddler, Dublin the attendance in the Mean Fiddler was

embarrassingly small, with the gig at times seeming like nothing more than a rehearsal for the Sultans' upcoming British tour.

This is a shame, because the Sultans' new, improved, no-nonsense power punk approach really does pack a

Sammy Steiger unashamedly thrashing out one classic riff after another. providing the perfect complement to O'Flaherty's mangled vocals and exhilaratingly dumb lyrics, with Frenzy, Rubber Man and the current single Mescaline the standouts of a set mainly culled from the imminent album, Good Year For Trouble. The Sultans have transformed them-

punch, with the combined guitars of

Pat O'Connell and recent addition

selves from an idiosyncratic fuzz-pop outfit into hard-hitting punk acolytes. Trouble is, their fans do not appear to have made the same leap.

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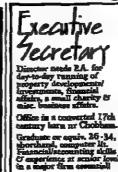
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# Ocket Gooch still regrets iteat not pressing on to surpass Sobers

GRAHAM GOOCH will be at Lord's this morning and, old habits dying hard, he says that he hopes to have a net before the Test starts tomorrow. In part, this is mere routine for a man of almost 43, now an England selector but still obsessed by playing the game. Yet it is also, Gooch would admit, a spot of nostalgia.

Gooch, of course, is not playing for England tomorrow, though, with Nick Knight ruled unfit yesterday. there might have been no finer or more appropriate replace-ment. The last time that India played a Test on the ground. Gooch produced the innings that earned him full entitlement to the overused epithet,

He made 333, the highest first-class score at Lord's and, for good measure, added 123 in the second innings. "Not bad, I suppose," he mumbled lugubriously

In the art of appearing mournful. Gooch had few peers and, even in his de-

fining moment, with a stream of records fallen to him, he was a picture of studied gloom. There was an element, here, of playing up to an image that he had begun to enjoy, but it was also indicative of a man who worried less about his own figures than the results. England had won the game and even his monumental performance diminished by instant comparison.

It is only now, retired from the international stage, that he fully appreciates what he achieved, and what he did not, on those balmy June days in 1990. "It certainly wasn't until some time afterwards that it sank in - both the rarity of a triple hundred and the fact that I should have broken the Test record," he said.

At the time, pre-Lara, that stood at 365 in the name of Garry Sobers. This, and four other scores, remained be-tween Gooch and immortality when he was bowled by Manoi Prabhakar, driving in a fashion that the rest of us pardoned as weary, while Gooch, self-critical to the end. condemned as "lazy and airy".

"Micky Stewart, our manager, had been telling me that I should bat on for the record. Alan Lee recalls the England captain's masterly 333 in the Lord's Test of 1990

take as long as I needed."
Gooch said. "That was not my
style and I didn't have it in my mind. Looking back now, though, I should have tried to do it. Not too many get that

Inevitably, for he is a meticulous man. Gooch has a sharp recall of those days, from his pleasurable surprise when Mohammed Azharuddin won the toss and asked him to bat first, through his one reprieve. a wickerkeeping miss on 36. He remembers where he sat in dozed off over dinner on the first evening, and he remembers that BBC television shamefully missed his ascen-

'Looking back, I should have tried to do it. Not too many get the chance'

> sion to the 300 club, as they had crossed to Royal Ascot. It was this, the achievement of reaching 300, that meant the most to him. "I had made 275 against Kent and should have gone on." he said. "I was determined not to throw it away again. I suppose it is what I will be remembered for and it was very satisfying because, in previous years, had not made the scores I should have done. From that innings on, I became a more

complete, reliable player."



Gooch: has total recall of monumental innings

Gooch was in the finest form of his life. Two days before the Test, he had made a match-winning 170 against Lancashire. He arrived at Lord's in one of those moods that come rarely, one of impregnability; and, because it was Lord's, this was particularly special.

"My favourite ground, my favourite day of the year," he said, "The first day of any Lord's Test is the best that cricket can offer. No other ground can match its atmosphere and some don't come close. I still remember us turning up for the opening day of a Test in Christchurch two

years later, and finding the ground shut. We had to leap over the gates and get the groundsman to open the place. "At Lord's, espe-

cially on the Thursday, there is a buzz from early morning. Essex have no game this week, so I am looking forward to being there, although I know that I shall have a pang or two and miss the sensation of

walking out to bat." There is a case for saying that he should still be doing so and at least once, since he drew a line under his Test career early last year, Atherton has been tempted to ask him. "Ability-wise, I could still do myself justice." Gooch said. "The mental drain of it would worry me, though. I need a challenge nowadays. Last week, for instance, I turned up

at Chelmsford looking for-ward to batting against Curtly Ambrose. People won't believe it, but I was disappointed when he didn't play." Gooch may make this his

final season, though the decision rests on viable alternatives. He would like to stay with Essex - "but I know there is no job for me" - and. although he relishes his selectorial duties and his considerable part in the development of Nasser Hussain and Ronnie Irani, he remains best qualified to score runs. His evocative presence at Lord's this week will remind us of

# Hooper fated to provide my finest hour



year in Test cricket. Not since the arrival of lan Botham has a player made such an immediate impact for England. On his Test debut, at Lord's, and the week before last, at Edghaston, he passed 50 wickets in just 11 matches. Of all his explosive feats so Trafford last summer when he became the first England player to take a hat-trick in a Test match for 38 years. It is Sunday, July 30, 1995, the fourth day of the fourth Test against West Indies and England, helped by a maiden Test fifty by Cork, are on top. Cork is ng the first over of the day and with his fourth hall he dismisses Richie Richardson, Then, next ball, Junior Murray, the wicketkeeper, is leg-before. At 161 for five in their second innings, Carl Hooper comes to the wicket to face the hat-trick hall.

was on a hat-trick - in only my third Test. It wasn't going to be Leasy. Normally, you'd expect one of the lesser West Indian batsmen to follow Junior Murray, who I had just trapped leg-before. No such luck.

It was the injured Carl Hooper, one of the classiest acts in the West Indies batting line-up. His broken finger meant he had been pushed down the order, but his entry could be delayed no longer if he was to have any influence on the outcome of this Test. As he made his way to the wicket.

though. I realised that perhaps fate was on my side after all. I already had one first-class hat-trick to my name for Derbyshire against Kent in 1994. Guess who was victim No 3 on that occasion? Carl Hooper!

Although Hooper is a quality batsman, he does have a tendency to walk across his stumps early on. Athers came over and we had a chat. He put a man in at short extra cover. I asked him: "Do you want me to bounce him or do the same as Murray?" Because we both felt that Hooper doesn't get out of the blocks early on, we decided on the latter course of action. As I walked back. I kept saying to myself: "Come on. Get it in the right place."

I've bowled hat-trick balls before.

Too often that final delivery has been a half-volley or down the leg side — a complete waste, which doesn't even give you a chance of taking a wicket. This time I was going to make sure that Hooper had to play the ball and play it under extreme pressure.



The hat-trick ball was the least of his worries. He was the last recognised batsman they had to support Lara, who was watching all this unfold from the non-striker's end.

It soon became clear that the last thing Hooper wanted to do was play the ball. I did manage to bowl a similar delivery and the ball reverse swung again. Hooper looked as if he was trying to leave it. Then it was too late to do anything when he saw the ball coming in at him.

He was plumb. I knew he was out, but this time I wasn't so sure the umpire would give it. Two leg-befores in two balls? It doesn't happen, does it? Cyril [Mitchley] was going to give this one much more thought. It seemed to ke an age before his finger went up. feel my body shaking. I'm not I threw my hands in the air and for ashamed to admit I was close to tears. take an age before his finger went up. a split second I didn't know what to

do. Should I run round the pitch on a

basically because they had turned to jelly. Judgey [Robin Smith] came over and lifted me up. Athers was there. All the boys were round me.

A hat-trick in Test cricket! I was staggered, not because it was the first time for so many years; I didn't have a clue about when the last one was at the time. I just knew they are extremely rare. Later, I learnt that mine was the 21st, and the first by an England bowler since Peter Loader at Headingley in 1957.

My reaction was totally different to the dismissals of Richie [Richardson] and Junior. I didn't think Cyril was going to raise his finger. When he did, I was gone, absolutely gone, I was drained, completely empty. I could

I was fortunate it was the end of the over because I didn't have another lap of honour? Or leap in the air? delivery in me. As I wandered down to Instead. I just sank to my knees, the other end, Lara congratulated me.

I was really struggling to hold back the tears as I went to backward

I could see Jane [my wife] just to the right of the pavilion. Because there weren't that many people there, I had looked up after getting Richie out and she clapped. She did the same when I looked up after Junior had gone. This time I was just shaking my head when I looked her way. I was thinking: "I can't have just done that. Come on. Wake up. Get out of your dream."

The West Indies were eventually bowled out for 314, with Lara hitting 145. Needing 94 to win, England struggled before a six-wicket victory levelled the series again. Dominic Cork was named man of the match

Adapted from Uncorked! Dlary of a Cricket Year by Dominic Cork with David Norrie (published this week by Richard Cohen Books, £15.99).

# IN BRIEF -

# Costa falls to rapid Rusedski

GREG RUSEDSKI took 55 minutes to defeat Alberto Costa, of Spain, the No 2 seed, and become Great Britain's latest giant-killer at the Nottingham Open tennis tournament yes-

The victory put Rusedski into the second round along with Tim Henman, the national champion, who, on Monday, put out Mal Washington, the No 3 seed, from the United States. Rusedski's next opponent will be Martin Damm, from the Czech Re-

☐ CRICKET: England women lost by 25 runs in the final pne-day match against New Zealand at Chester-le-Street vesterday, despite a bold attempt to chase a 50-over target of 237 for seven. The win gives New Zealand a 3-0 series victory, but their improved performance, assisted by a fine 66 from Barbara Daniels. raised England's hopes for the Test series which begins at Scarborough next week.

☐ CYCLING: Candido Barbosa, from Portugal, a first-year professional, yesterday won the 100-mile European road race championship at Douglas, Isle of Man, by two lengths in a sprint finish from Daniele Contrini, of Italy. Serguei Ivanov. of Russia. finished third, three seconds slower than Barbosa's time of 4hr 10min 07sec.

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HALLE: Men's tournament: First round: H Dreekmann (Ger) bt R Furlan (B 6-3, 6-2, J Hasek (Switz) bt S Schallen (Holl) 6-4, 7-6

• HEEHAN on BRIDGE

BY ROBERT SHEEHAN, BRIDGE CORRESPONDENT Recently the refresher columns have examined the advice "second player play low". There are exceptions; this example cropped up at the Jane Priday Trophy, the mixed pairs event at the Guardian Easter tournament.

Dealer South North-South game Match-pointed pairs

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Contract: Two Spades doubled, by South Lead: Ten of dia

South's Two Spades opening was a Weak Two. I think that West did well to pass East's take-out double. If his side could make only a part-score, then trying for 200 seemed right, and, if his side could make a game, he had good prospects of getting Two Spades two off. The resulting 500 would be better than the

non-vulnerable game score. The ten of diamonds held the first trick, and West continued with a diamond to the ace. East correctly switched to a low trump, which ran to West's queen. West played a third diamond and, after South ruffed, there was an intermezzo when she played ace and another heart. West won and continued diamonds,

and now declarer got back to the main point of the hand. She led a club: West correctly played low so the king scored, and then declarer led a second club from dummy.

When East played low on the club, West had to win the nine with the ten. Now the only way that West could prevent declarer ruffing her losing club in dummy was to sacrifice his trump trick. Of course, East should have risen with the queen of clubs on the second club. Then she can play her second trump through, and hold declarer to six tricks for 500.

☐ Robert Sheehan writes on bridge Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend section on Saturday.

MEROPS' SON a. The robin

b. A visionary c. Pericles

a. Envy b. Brewers' scum c. A punishment pole

WORD-WATCHING

### By Philip Howard

a. Helpi

HARO b. A Harrovian cricket cry

c. The sow-beam JEDDART JUSTICE a. The Border Sheriff b. Bad luck

c. Hang first, try later Answers on page 50



BY RAYMOND KEENE CHESS CORKESPONDENT

New ratings

Fide, the World Chess Pederation, has issued its mid-year ranking list. The leading positions are: Garry Kasparov 2,785; Anatoly Karpov 2,775; Vladimir Kramnik 2,765; Veselin Topalov 2,750; Gata Kamsky 2,745; Viswanathan Anand 2,735; Vassily Ivan-chuk 2,730; Nigel Short 2,695; Michael Adams 2,685; Alexel

Shirov 2,685. Notable features are the first and second slots occupied by Kasparov and Karpov and the fact that there are now two British grandmasters in the world's top ten. Nigel Short's new rating is a personal best.

Player of the year

Grandmaster Michael Adams has one more thing to celebrate. He has been nominated player of the year by the British Chess Federation ahead of 12-year-old Luke McShane in second position and Nigel Short third.

British success

Matthew Sadler, the British champion, has scored a fine result in the Ischia international tournament in Italy. Scores (out of 9) were: Sadler. Khalifman, Fracnik 6; Gofshtein 42; Romanishin, Tseitlin. Khenkin 4: Hodgson, Smirin. Godena 35.

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Diagram of final position 

The Times Winning Moves 2 contains 240 chess puzzles from international grandmaster Raymond Keene's daily column in The Times, and is available from bookshops or from BT Batsford Ltd (tel: 01376 321276) at £6.99 plus postage and packing.

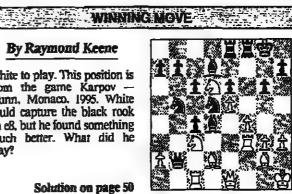
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By Raymond Keene

White to play. This position is from the game Karpov -Nunn, Monaco. 1995. White could capture the black rook on e8, but he found something much better. What did he

play?

Solution on page 50



# Fashion tips favourite among the Ascot clothes horses

They work to different criteria, those longlegged, mid-skirted, de-signer-hatted, kid-gloved women in swirls of silk, muslin and taffeta, from whose pastel-coloured faces comes undernanding conversation. the purpose of which is to appear involved while projecting their good side to passing cameramen. Here is a preview of Oxfam's 1998 collection.

This is the start of the season: the first day of Royal Ascot. Tell them that you have positive information of the well-being of Wall Street in the St James's Palace Stakes and they look at you in bewilderment. The fact that there is racing is accepted but not critical to the day's entertainment.

Clothes matter; companions are important; as is to whom you talk and who sees you talking to them. Designers matter: Thomasz Starzewski is the most glittering of these. therefore matters most. Hats. if at all possible, should be by Philip Treacey or Graham Smith - this season's "in" milliners according to the social editor of Harpers & Queen, the "in" social editor.

There are two Cherry Blossom shoe cleaners, one male the other female, so that a woman may have a shine without the fear of a member of the opposite sex glancing up her thigh; something not quite right about shoe cleaners at a



party such as this. Damn it. we shone our shoes before we left home and gave them an extra polish on the backs of our trousers waiting to enter the golden gates guarded by bowler-hatted attendants. Is it imagination or have their

faces softened? They now look as if they did not really despise

A hairdresser, here to keep his eye on a couple of his clients, tells me that the women are in a quandary: Thursday, Ladies Day, is

when you must be at your best, but on Thursday the competition is seriously fierce. so one or two of them have gone for it today. You can please some of the photographers some of the time. Women shimmy out of the enclosure (no cameras allowed inside) to provide photo opportunities on the way to the paddock and back ideally. companions should be unobtrusively morning-suited and be recognised ... but not famous, else the companion might hog the picture.

The place radiates perfection: the lawns are as smooth and as green as a snooker table: the salmon is fresh, the champagne cold, the sandwiches generously filled; and this year they expect a quarter of a million racegoers. I am proud to be four of them, for i go each day. Most of us will lose our money and run up substantial dry-cleaning bills and be forced to have our top hats re-brushed ... and consider it all a small price to pay.

Her Majesty and the three horse-drawn coaches contain-ing her family and friends reach the mile post soon after 2pm and you can hear the oohaaahhh as racegoers see first Her Majesty and then the Queen Mother.

Would you call that magenta?" asks a woman with a notepad. Not me. A colleague offers me 25-1 against the second coach over-

taking the one in the lead. I



Would you call that magenta? Photographers snap up a sample of Ascot colour

decline, possibly the only correct decision I made all afternoon. For the first race, the prophets of doom, they who said: "No one will come, not when England are playing Holland at Wembley before

we can get home to our

television sets," were forced to swallow their words. The racecourse had looked about only half full yet, when the horses appeared, the terraces were a dense forest of black and grey toppers rising like fungi from

Favourites tend not to win at Royal Ascot. Last year Nicolotte took the first race at 16-1 and here in the 2.30 was Charnwood Forest at odds-on. We looked for something to beat it, we who knew a thing

or two. Charnwood Forest

of those days, we backed the next favourite, found there were joint favourites, backed them both. Neither finished in the first three. Nodoby looked sad or dejected, the way they do when they lose at real race

meetings. Time for a glass of cham-pagne; time for a plate of lobster. "What do you mean can we afford it?" asked a woman in a hat that made it impossible for her to see, never mind eat, a crustacean. You've just lost Olivia's dress

allowance for the year." In the building that houses private boxes, 260 of them, each bulging with festive hu-manity, there is a Tote Hall. The better dressed the punter, the smaller seems to be the bet Between races is the time for moving around: winner's enclosure to paddock to seafood bar to a call on friends in the car park who have hired a Swedish caterer to prepare open sandwiches served from the boot. The day is warm, but not unbearably so; men's stiff collars are becoming limp. women glow becomingly, an outsider wins the third race and another takes the fourth.

As Ratty nearly said: "Believe me ... there is nothing, absolutely nothing, half so much worth doing as messing about in Ascot." Today I shall go back and put my money on Donna Viola in the Hunt Cup: you would be foolish to take

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1	F20-	SHIKARIE 23 (CO.F) 14 Page 5-11-10
2	333-	(BP ANDER 32 (B.S) C Man 4-11-8
3	36J-	BATTY'S ISLAND 263 (V.F.G.S.) B Proces 7-11-6 Gary Lypes
4		HOLY JOE 100 (D.F.G.S) A J Wilson (4-11-4 D J Barthell
5		HOW'S IT GOEN 11 (C.F.G) W Liber 5-16-11
6	042-	STICKY MEMEY 23 (S) M Pipe 8-10-10 C Manda
7		MRE O THREE 19 (S) A Newcounts 7-16-9 . A Thoraten
8	6/2	CALL THE GUVINOR 11 (6) N Headerson 7-10-3 J R Kinasach
9	000-	ADMIRALTY WAY 23 (G.S.) IT Brotharton 10-10-8 . I, Harvey
10	000-	BEAM ME UP SCOTTY 49 (G) N Hands 7-10-7 . G Liewellyn
11		FIRST CLASS 23 (F) G Albord 6-10-7
12		TWICE THE GROOM 67F (5) R Law 8-10-3 P McLoughin
13	00-4	SWEET MOBLE 10 (D,S) K Drewy 7-10-0 . M Sharred
14	401-	PAY RIVER 71 (C.D.F.S) K Wingross 4-10-0
1 0	ii Tim	Gurings, 5-1 Strikates, 6-1 Kippangus, Nista D Three, 7-1 Striky
		toly Joe, Bady's Island, 12-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAMERS: B Snart, 3 witners from 6 nurners, 37.5%, C Mann, 5 from 16, 31.3%; K Wingstowa, 4 trong 17, 23.5%, W Pree, 23 from 100, 23.9%; K Balley, 19 from 86, 22.1%, N Herndarson, 6 from 38, 15.6%, C Nash, 3 from 21, 14.3% JOCKEYS: J Osborne, 26 wenners from 89 rides, 29.2%; R Messiey, 4 from 19, 21.1%, C Lewellys, 18 forth 111, 16.2%, J Fran, 4 from 25, 16.0%; R Duswoody, 29 from 187, 15.5%, J Freed, 7 from 55, 12.7%; D Bridgester, 13 from 116, 11.2%.

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	5	(1)	3035	Mrs & Kettlewell MASTER OFTHE HOUSE 13J (F.O.S) M Hammond	95
	6	(2)	5-00	10-10-6 Moss M Garton Finds OF Vision 6 (F) Mrs M Raveley 4-10-1	25
	7	(4)	990-	Miss H Dudgeon DANCING DESTINY 212 R Bustamen 4-10-1 Miss R Bestimen (4)	96 97
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	13	(10)	/W	MEVER SO BRAVE 639 J Bethell 6-8-4  Mrs D Wikinson (4)	<b>35</b>
	14			ARABIAN HEIGHTS 16 Mrs J Harrscien 3-9-0 Miss F Removies	
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16 (15) 60-0 ICE MAGIC 12 (V,6) F Yardin 9-8-0 Miss S Yardiny (4) 79

5-1 Gold Blade, 6-1 Baycak, Philimest, 7-1 Bold Elect, 8-1 Arabian Heighlis, 10-7 Ring Of Vision, Calder King, 10-1 others

# 5.10 LEVY BOARD HANDICAP

(3-Y-O £3.758 1m 4/ 60yd) (12)  1   4  3-56 KARSMA 27 Denys Smith 9-7 D McKeown 2 (7) 0335 CHOCOLATE ICE 18 C Cyre 9-6 M Fersion 3 (12) 1224 EAGLE CANYON 12 (G) 8 Hambury 9-5 P Biognified. 4 (5) 6-07 Disk Poul
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4-1 One Poend, 5-1 Eagle Conyon, 6-1 Kartoma, 7-1 Elierby Park, Dirab, 6 Jackson Park, Chocolate Ice, 10-1 others

### 5.40 BEDALE LIMITED STAKES (£2,919; 1m 2f) (5)

1 (5) 3-31 SHARPICAL 95 (D.F.G) M Prescott 4-8-13 J Daton 22 (1) 4026 ANOTHER TIME 25 (D.BF.F.G) S Woods 4-8-11 D Blogs 98 (4) 4-03 BREAK THE RULES 25 (F.S) Mrs M Revely 4-8-11 5 (3) -008 GUESSTIMATION 9 (C.D.F.G.S) J Pages 7-8-11 N Day 90

### COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRANERS: M Prescott, 5 winers from 17 numers, 29.4%; 1 Batting, 4 from 14, 26.6%; 1 Cuman, 8 from 29, 27.6%; B Hills, 6 from 27, 22.2%; M Stovie, 10 from 46, 21.7%; J Pearce, 3 from 16, 18.8%. JOCKEYS: O Lithma, 3 winners from 10 rides, 30 0%, 1. Newton, 3 from 12, 25.0%, C Teague, 5 from 25, 19.2%, J Tare, 7 from 56, 12.5%, M Tetrout, 3 from 27, 11.1%

6.30 Trumble, 7.00 Close Relative, 7.30 Command

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM DRAW: 5F-6F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

# 6.30 BURTON JOYCE SELLING HANDICAP

	ALCO DOLLTON SOLOG OCCUPATION INVESTMENT
i	(£2,070: 1m 1l 213yd) (23 numers)
	1 4256 ARABOYBIL 6 (B.F.S) R Simpson 5-10-0
	2 0-00 RUPIANA 20 (F) C Mucay 4-9-6
ı	2 0-00 SALTIS 19 D Artustrust 4-9-7
	4 3445 TRUMBLE 5 (BF.G) bits # Macaday 4-9-0. C Frague
Ì	5 2555 GREEK GOLD 2 (O.G) W Barter 7-0-13 J Prantill
ı	6 200 GRANDES OREILLES 20 N Walter 4-5-13 Date Gibs 7 0346 COMEDY RIVER 16 (0,6) N 8-819 9-8-12 G I
	7 0346 COMEDY POVER 16 (0,6) N 888Y 9-8-12
ı	6 D-00 DOODIES POOL 6 (V.S) P Burgojne 6-8-12 P McCabe
ı	8 4305 AT THE SANDY 41 (G) NO. L Shibbs 5-6-12. M McAndh
	10 -600 LEGAL BRIEF 31 (B) J Walnutght 4-9-12 D R McCa
	11 ()(0-5 LAWNSWOOD JUNIOH (95) (1,5,8) J 5(00000) 9-9-73
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	12 0003 YET AGAIN 14 (F) B Hanbery 4-8-10 J Stack
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	1.3 4000 HORTHERN MOTTO 15 Mrs J Razenden 3-0-10 M. Rikon
	13 4000 HORTRERN MOTTO 15 Mrs J Razenien 3-5-10 M Ritte 14 060 Clytha Hill Lad 70 J Bradley 5-6-10 P P Muchin
	13. Aggio MORTHERIN MOTTO 15 Mrs J Racedon 3-8-10 M Ritan 14. OSCI CLYTHA HILL LAD 70 J Bradley 5-8-10
	<ol> <li>4000 NORTHERN MOTTO 15 Mrs. I Recession 3-8-10 M. Ritch</li> <li>650 CLYNA HILL LAD 70 J Brodley 5-8-10 P P Murph</li> <li>6850 BOOST 22 (8) Mrs. M. Macaulley 4-8-8</li></ol>
	13 4000 NORTHERN MOTTO 15 Mrs. I Basedon 3-8-10. M Rims 14 680 CLYTHA HILL LAD 70 J Bradley 5-8-10 P P Murch 13 6850 BOOST 22 (8) Mrs. N Macrathy 4-8-8 N Varies 12 3023 ARSOLUTE ROLLER 9 (0.8) J. L. Hamb 5-8-8 N Varies 17 -805 URBANNATERSCURGOVA 25 M Besty 4-8-8. L. Newton
	13. AUDIO NORTHERN MOTTO 15 Mrs. I Bazaden 3-8-10. M Ritan 14. OSCI CLYTHA HILL LAD 70 J Bradley 5-8-10 P P Murph 13. OSSO BOOST 22. (8) Mrs. N Macaulay 4-8-4 M Mad- 16. 3023. ARSOLUTE RULER 9 (D.8) J L Hamb 5-8-8 N Varies 17 ODS. URBAWATERSCUBADIVA 25 M Beshy 4-8-8. U Nowdon 16. 634- PULOW TALK 300 67 S Campion 5-8-6 S D WWN
	13 4000 NORTHERN MOTTO 15 Mrs. I Basedon 3-8-10. M Ritter 14 080 CLYTHA HILL LAD 70 J Bazdley 5-8-10. P.P. Musch 13 0830 BOOST 22 (8) Mrs. N Macauley 4-8-8. A Maci 12 3023 ARSOLUTE RULES 9 (0.5) J. Lawis 5-8-8. I. N Varis 17 -005 UNDAWATERSCHROUW 25 M Belly 4-8-8. L. Newfor 16 634- PILLOW TALK 300 67 S Campion 5-8-8. S D Will 19 007 NASSER 712 (0.0) K Bashow 7-8-7. N AVAS
	13 4000 NORTHERN MOTTO 15 Mrs J Basedon 3-8-10. M Rinch 14 050 CLYTHA HILL LAD 70 J Bradley 5-8-10. P P Murph 13 050 BOOST 22 (6) Mrs N Macadey 4-8-8. M Kad 15 3022 ABSOLUTE RULER 9 (D.B) J L Marts 5-8-8. N Varies 17 -805 URDAWATERISCURDOWA 25 M Beely 4-8-8. L Newston 16 03-4 PILLOW TALK 300 (F) S Campion 5-8-8. S D WM 19 007 NASEER 712 (D.G) K Bishop 7-8-7. N ARIS 20 0550 MAZELIA 9 (G) A Service 4-8-7. D Whole
	13 A000 NORTHERN MOTTO 15 Mrs J Bazeden 3-8-10. M Ritten 14 060 CLYTHA HILL LAD 70 J Bradley 5-8-10 P P Murph 15 0650 BOOST 22 (8) Mrs N Macauley 4-8-4
	13 4000 NORTHERN MOTTO 15 Mrs J Brazelon 3-8-10. M Rims 14 080 CLYTHA HRL LAD 70 J Bradley 5-8-10. P P Murch 15 0850 BOOST 22 (8) Mrs N Mazzuley 4-8-8. N Maris 17 0850 BOOST 22 (8) Mrs N Mazzuley 4-8-8. N Varis 17 0850 ENRIAMMATERISCURDIVA 25 M Berby 4-8-8. L Newton 18 034- PLLOW TALK 300 67 S Campion 5-8-8. S D Wind 19 00V NASSER 712 (0.6) K Bishop 7-8-7. N Aris 20 0850 MAZELIA 9 (6) A Spread 4-8-7. N Mill 21 00-00 BRONZE RIMMETER (8, CO.) C Wheelin 12-8-8 A Day 22 800.5 SRITTECOCK 14 66.5 Mrs N Mazzuley 5-8-5. R PC
	13 A000 NORTHERN MOTTO 15 Mrs J Bazeden 3-8-10. M Ritten 14 060 CLYTHA HILL LAD 70 J Bradley 5-8-10 P P Murph 15 0650 BOOST 22 (8) Mrs N Macauley 4-8-4

STAKES (2-Y-0; £3,451; 6i 15yd) (7)
1 CANADINAN FANTASY M Jakreton 9-0 J Ferning 2
2 CHINGACHGOOK P Harris 9-0
3 2 CLOSE RELATIVE 12 R Charlon 9-0
4 JUNN W Hom 9-0
5 MUTABARE D Mortey 9-0
6 NONENATOR LAD B Michigan 8-0 \$ Sanders 1
7 6 LET JACILES 29 P Cole 8-9 C Roller 4
7-4 Clase Relative, 3-1 Caracian Fantasy, 5-1 Journet, 7-1 Melaberi, Lify Japons,
E-1 Chargacingtol., 12-1 Mornington Lass.

SKY

### 7.30 KPMG PASAS HANDICAP (£3,366: 1m 54yd) (13)



# 8.00 TATTERSALLS MAJOEN AUCTION SKY

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o kle	c Che	Selown Flyer, Starzbaroptez, 10-1 offices.

# 8.30 SHADWELL STUD APPRENTICES SERIES HANDICAP (£2,742: 1m 6i) (10)

# 11-4 Howqua River, 3-7 Opaque, 7-2 Coango, 7-1 Royal Circes, 8-1 Calemid News, Paronomissia, 10-1 Duckern, 12-1 others.

# 9.00 OLD LENTON HANDICAP

ı	1	0050	SEA DANZIG 4 P Howling 9-7				
I	2	-310	MAZCOBAR 12 (D.G) P Makin 9-7 S Sand				
	3	-003	TISSUE OF LIES 14 M Johnston 9-6 J Fansi				
ı	4	-002	NORTHERN JUDGE 9 8 Harbury 9-3				
Į	5	3000	MELLOW MASTER 12 N Walter 8-12 J Starts				
Ì	6	0153	SOUND CHECK 18 (B,D,F) B Meetun B-9 M Tebb				
۱	7	000-	MDRA 242 H Cardy 8-7. G Rd				
ı	8	-505	EBONY BOY 109 (6) 1 Whaton 6-7				
ı	9	0005	RHYTHARC BALL 14 T Watson 8-4 C Adaptison				
	10	0400	FALCON'S FLAME 15 Mrs J Ramsdep 8-3 K Fall				
	11	0540	PICHARD HOUSE I AD 18 0 definition 7-17 Flunch &				
	12	400	PICHARD HOUSE LAD 16 R Hollershand 7-12. F Lynch & FLORRIE M 22 J L Hards 7-11 J Onlin				
ı	13	0005	ROCKY STREAM 13 R Wheater 7-10				
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ı	4-1 Tosse Of Lies. 9-2 Mazzobar, 6-1 Horthern Judge, Sound Check, 7-1 Fall						
ı	MATE.	8-1 Se	a Danzig, 10-1 pubers				
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# **COURSE SPECIALISTS** TRANSPRS: W Happas, 5 winners from 17 nancers, 29.4%; A Charlton, 9 from 34, 75.5%, Mrs. J Cardi, 5 from 24, 20.5%; P Cola, 13 from 65, 20.0%; P Chapple-Hyam, 3 from 15, 20.0%, R Whiteler, 7 from 38, 18.4%.

# Blinkered first time

ROYAL ASCOT: 2:30 Requiri Bleu, 3.05 Red Garter, 4.20 Wild Rice. NOTTINGHAM: 7:30 Ballysokerry 8.30 Filentilly Dreams WORCESTER: 6.45 Against The Clock 8:15 Classic Jester, Damas. 9:15 Batty's Island

# Switch? Delta? YOU BET:



# **ESTERUAY STESULTS** Royal Ascot

Going: good to firm Going: good to firm

2.20 (Im str) 1, CHAPINWOOD POREST
(M J Kinsne, 10-11 fev; Richard Evens's nap); 2, Restructure (Paul Eddery, 11-1); 3, Mistic Cat (W Woods, 20-1), ALSO RAN-6
Timenida, 13-2 Soviet Line (Sin), 12 Gebr., 20
Young Ern (4th), 40 Mr. Martin (8th), 50
Prince Of India, 9 ran. 41, hd, 141, 141, 41.
Saeed birn Suroor at Newmantest, Tole; 20,00; 51-10, 52-20, 52-80, Thio:
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551.60 CSF- £10.32.
3.05 (im 2) 1, FRST ISLAND (M Hills, 9-1); 2, Montjoy (F Hills, 16-1); 3, Tamayaz (O Pesiter, 12-1) ALSO RAN- 4 fev Pisudsid, 9-2 Lucky Dt, 5 Cap Jutuca, 7 Fehal (6th), 14 Neadle Gun, 16 Clever Citche, 20 Desert Shot, 25 Cazame (5th), 50 Desert Shot, 25 Cazame (5th), 50 Desert Shot, 12 rat. NFt: Wayne County 114, 144, nk, sh hd, 144, G Wragg at Newmarket, Toter £11.20; £2.70, £4.60, £5.90. DF- £73.90. Tricc £412.60. CSF- E121.20; 24.60.

E121.30.
3.45 (1m md) 1, BLIOU D'INDE (J Weaver, B-1); 2, Astriusiumi (M J Kinene, 13-8 lav); 3, Sorbie Tower (R Hughes, 33-1). ALSO RAN: 100-30 Spurning World (6th). 11-2 Mark Of Esteem, 12 Cayman Kal (5th), 14 Beseucharp King (4th), 16 Wall Street, 100 World Premier 9 ran. Hd, 1l, 1kl, 1 kl, 1 kl, 1 kl, 1 hl, 1 Jannston at Middleham. Toter 99.70; 21.10, e1.30, 64.70. DF: £12.80. Tho £11.30, CSF: £22.99. 211.30. CSP. 222.03.
4.20 (67) 1, VERGLAS (W Supple, 9-1); 2, Daylight In Dubel (K Darley, 25-1); 3, Deadly Dudley (M J Kirane, 7-4 kay) ALSO RAY 11-2 Fletcher, 7 Shock Velue (8th, 8 Stalesman, 14 Kurnait, Tuscary, 20 Helio (5th), Hula Proceed, 100 Jeck The Lad, Kaiser Kache, Seratoga Roc. 15 ran. 294, 194, hd, nh, 1941. K Prendergast in Ireland Cate 218.20, 23.80, 25.00, 51.40. DE-240.50. The 123.50. CSP. 618.81.

E280.50. The E125.60. CSF \$184.83.
4.55 (1m) 1. NORTH SONG (G Hind. 14-1);
2. Insatistic (K Darley, 13-2 [-fav); 3,
Russian Mussic (D Pesiler, 11-1); 4, Hidden
Casis (M J Knarie, 16-1) ALSO RAN: 13-2
4-las Whites Romance, 10 Clvi Liberty, 14
Royal Mark, 16 Alamein (6th). All-awa,
Detachment, Mushahid, 20 Al Abrag,
Troysend, 25 Belleve Me, Don Bosio,
Double Diamond (5th), Forest Robin, Henry
Leisnd, Intamous, Royal Canasia, Therivea,
33 Brandon Magic, Bullfinch, Dimmutive,
Lay The Blame, Pant it Black, 40 Sightly
Speedy, 50 Henry The Fifth, Kata Sumise,
Manelo, Oberons Boy 31 ran. NPt Missile
Hd, 11, 174, hd, 34.3 Goaden at Newmarket.

Hd, 11, 134, hd, 34, 3 Gosden at Newmarkst. Tota: £16.10; £3.30, £2.00, £3.60, £5.20 DF: £82.80 Trior £344.10. CSF: £105.68 DF: 932.80 Trior 1344.10. CSF: £105.68 Tricest: £1,010.19.

5.90 (2m. 4f) 1, SOUTHERN POWER (O Pesiter, 25-1): 2. Mitrador (G Bardwell, 100-1): 3, Candla Smile (J Red, 25-1); 4, Sea Victor (J Weaver, 20-1). ALSO RAN' 3 (av. Merit (6th), 8 Great Easeby, 9 Stompin, 14 Fullyama Crest, 18 Achilles Heet, En vacances, brad. Rody Forum, 20 Greycoat Boy, Hever Golf Lady, Our Kris, Paradiss Navy, Seasonal Splendour, Shadinwan, Unchanged, 25 Chris's Lad, Golden Arrow (6th), Noulari, 33 Anglesey Sea View, Coleridge, Sea Freedom, 88 Soletium, 26 ran NR: Nenton Point, ¥1, nk, ¥1, 41, 41 R Aketurst at Epsom, Tote: E54 00: £9.00, £21 80, £3.00, £4 10 DF: £9.237 50. Tric: not won [pool of £7,905.80 carried forward to 420 Royal Ascot today) CSF: £1,230 79. Tricast: £40,885,11 Jackpot: not won (pool of £52,275.12 carried forward to Royal Ascot Loday). Placepot: £2,959.00. Quadpot: £137.10.

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2.15 (8) 1, Doctdands Carriaga (K Falon, 4-7 lav), 2, Reton (20-1); 3, Soviet Lady (20-1) 10 ran NR. Feit Seller 294, nk. N Tinder, Tota, 51 40; 51.10, £4 40, £3 30. DF: £32.20 Tricx £77.90. CSF: £14.50. Bought at 13,800gms.

3.25 (Im) 1. Dercey Bussell (K Falkon, 2-1 fav); 2. Cashmera Lady (3-1); 3. Charm-pagne N Dréams (8-1), 6 ran. Sh.hd. 31-f. 8. Hills. Total (2.80, 21.60, 21.50. DF: £4.40 CSF: £8.16 CSF: 28 18
4.00 (Im 4f) 1, Canton Venture (D Biggs, 6-4 law); 2, Chatham Island (9-4); 3, Instantaneous (16-1), 6 car. kil, 91. S Woods 10te: £2.20; £1.10, £1.80. DF: £3.50. CSF: £5.43 1350 CSP 15343 4.36 (7f) 1, Murray's Mezzia (Miss Diama Jones, 8-1): 2, Nashsat (8-1); 3, Kid Cry (12-1) Andraym 4-1 law, 13 ren NR-Langtonien, 141, 254, J Eyra, Tote: £11.50; 23.30, £4.20, £4.40. DP: CSB.60 Trio: £247.80, CSF 682.76, Triosat: £751.58.

5.10 (7) 1, Sabot (K Faffon, 1-4 tay); 2, Abir (6-1); 3, Madrina (11-1), 8 ran, 334, 144, 8 Hills. Tote: £1.30; £1.00, £2.90, £2.40, DF-£1.60, CSF: £3.02. 21-00 CSF 2502.

5.40 (6) 1, U-No-Harry (A Culhane, 7-1); 2, Middle East (7-1); 3, Patheza (10-1); 4, Opening Chorus (12-1), The Wad 4-1 law, 17 ran, NFI: Stoney End 2, sh hd. R Hollinshead. Tote: £7.10; £2.40, £2.50, £5.00, £3.90. DF: £41.30. Tho: £41.80 CSF £67.23. Tideast £362.43 Placepot: £18.80. Quadpot: £6.90.

> Monday's late details

Windsor Going: good to firm 8.30 (\$1 10yd) 1, Whizz Kid (Damen Molfatt, 15-2); 2, Charlon Spring (\$-1), 3, Corne Too Mamma's (13-2), Leltrin Lodge 10-11 lav 11 ran. 1-4; 31 J Bridger, Tote: £9.30; £2.40, £2.30, £1.50, DF: £77.30, Tro: £40,70 CSF-

7.00 (Im 67yd) 1, Antarctic Storm (M

Roberta, 16-1); 2, Mr Cube (26-1); 3, Irrepressable (6-1) Honorable Estate 5-1 (1-tav 15 ran. 11, 31. E Dunlop, Tote 135 fb; 159.30, £460, £220 DF. £183,40 Trio. £207.30, CSF. £331.15 Tricast £2,500.21. 2507.30. CSP: 5337.15 Incast: 52,500.21, 7-30 (tm 2 7yd) 1, Punikah (O Harmson, 7-1); 2, Shaha (5-1), 3, Trojan Risk, (7-4 fav) 11 ran, Nk, 194 Lord Huttingdon Tote: 59.90; 23.0, 51.90, 51.40 DF: 529.00 Trio: 529.50. CSF: \$41.82, Tricast: 582.99. 8.00 (5f 217yd) 1, So Intropid (Par Eddery, 8-1); 2, Danding Heart (20-1); 3, Mousehole (13-8 ka) 12 ran, NR; Miss Aragon, 41, 11 J Bradley, Tote: £9.20; £3.00, £3.90, £1.20 DF: £87 10, Trio: £87,70, CSF: £143.85, Trisant £385.91.

8.30 (Si 10yd) 1, Queen Sceptre (W Carson, 11-2), 2, Robec Girl (13-8 tay), 3, Russian Soble (5-1) 4 ran. X4, 3(s), B Hills Tote: £6.50 DF: £5.70, CSF: £13.44. 10te: 25 50 UP: 25 70, CSF: £13 44, 9-2; Novmarket Correspondent's nap; 2 Deche (9-2); 3, Cenon Can (8-1), No-Aman 11-10 lav. 15 ran. NR: Emnala. Sh.hd, 81 J. Gosden, Tole: £7.90; \$2.20; £1.90; £2.60 UP: £14 70. Trio: £36 20. CSF: £26 90 Jackpot not won (pool of £20,198,36 was carried forward to Royal Ascot yesterday).

### Pontefract Going: good to firm

8.45 (6) 1, Nostalgic Air (J Quinn, 6-1), 2, Danichil Princess (7-2 p-lay); 3, Hever Golf Lily (4-1), Debonair 7-2 p-lay 11 pan 16, 15, E Weyerles, Toto: 95.30; 52.00, £1.30, £1.70. Of: £14.00 Yno: £9.20 CSF: 7.15 (im 4yd) 1, Loch Style (F Lynch, 9-2), 2, How Could-I (11-1); 3, Talluta'n Berle (9-1), Beg And A Bit 7-4 fev. 16 ren 2, 11 R Hoffmshead Tote 27,00; 52:00, £4:60, 52.70, DF: £151:90, Tifo: \$24.1 70 (part worr. pool of £204.34 carried forward to formorrow) CSF: £58.34

R.15 (2m 11 216yd) 1, Great Oration (J. Weaver, 4-1); 2, Lostris (10-1), 3, Gurmaker (7-1) Izza 9-4 tev. 8 ran 5, 31, F. Watson, Toler £4 60, £12.0, £2.70, £1.80, DF. £43.20, CSF. £40.21, Tricast £254.62 7.45 (1m 21 8yd) 1, Seattle Alley (K Fation, 3-1 (i-law); 2. Phentom Haze (12-1); 3. Nose No Bounds (5-1) Sistar Act 3-1 (i-law); 11 ran. Sh Ind. 31. Mrs. J Ramsden Tote: 63.70; 61 70, 62 70, 61 80 DF 626 10 Tito: 670.80 CSF 637 63 Theast. 6167.32.

2.00 1. Barrato (K. Fallon, 6-4 (24); 2. Bowlers Boy (8-1); 3. Gymcrak Gern (17-2) 9 ran. Nt. XI. Mrs J Ramsden Tote: £2.60; £1.40, £2.40, £2.40. DF: £14.90 Tho: £2.00.40, CSF: £14.54 9.15 (6) 1, Encore M'Lady (D R McCabe, 10-1); 2, Helmanerror (3-1 lav); 3, Sonderise (7-2), 8 ran, Mt. Superpride, Nk, M. F. Lee, Tote, 511 10, 5280, 5180, 5180, 0F; 5120, 0F; 51200, Tino: 520 30, CSF, 538,03, Taxast; 5117, 45, After a stewards'

Placepot; £98.60. Quadpot: £16.10.

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By Richard Evans, racing JOURNALIST OF THE YEAR

ON THE 181st anniversary of the Battle of Waterloo, the French arrived at Royal Ascot yesterday convinced they could gain some belated revenge on the English in what had been billed as the race of the season - only to receive their comeuppance from the tartan of Scotland.

Bijou D'Inde, carrying the checked silks of Stuart Morrison, a Glasgow lawyer and occasional bookmaker, and trained by his fellow countryman, Mark Johnston, looked a beaten horse as he surrendered the lead near the furlong pole in the St James's Palace Stakes to Ashkalani, the unbeaten French 2,000 Guineas winner and well-backed 13-8 favourite. However, the Scots

### RICHARD EVANS

Nap: MORE SILVER (3.05 Royal Ascot) Next best: Dance So Suite (5.30 Royal Ascot)

are renowned for their toughness but, as favourite backers prepared to celebrate, Bijou D'inde dug deep to force his nose back in front within the shadow of the winning post.

Johnston, sporting a waistcoat made from the green and yellow tartan which his family has worn for generations, said: The French horses may be trained for speed but they are not trained to battle - and that's what our fellow did. He stuck on all the way."

in a race which attracted the winners of the English, Irish and French 2,000 Guineas for the first time since 1987, Bijou D'Inde's heroic victory was not just a fillip for Scotland; just as important, it showed the small owner can successfully slug it out with the mighty Maktoums and the

Aga Khan. Morrison has owned bits and pieces of various horses for 20 years but the start of the



Bijou D'Inde (left) overhauls Ashkalani in a tremendous duel for the St James's Palace Stakes at Royal Ascot yesterday

are not hard to find.

came six years ago when he had his first horse with Johnston. "To be blunt, I chose him because he is a fellow Scot."

"I sold my interest in another business and for the first time I had some capital. My wife was not keen for me to have a horse but we came to a deal. I bought a horse and she got a conservatory."

The horse in question, then

aged two, was Quick Ransom. who developed into an admirably game and talented handicapper, winning the Ebor among other races, and

six figures worth of prizemoney - before being sold for a handsome profit to an Australian owner who wanted a runner in the Melbourne

I kept buying other horses with the prize-money and sent them to Mark to train and we have gone from strength to strength. It shows a small man, if he perseveres, can get a top-class horse."

Bijou D'Inde cost 20,000 guineas but given his breeding — by Cadeaux Genereux — his value as a stallion is likely to

But for losing his action running down in the Dip at be multiples of that sum and it will be no surprise if the Maktoums attempt to buy him Newmarket, Bijou D'Inde in due course. The Morrison might well have beaten Mark string, at present four in Of Esteem, while at the Curstrength, looks set to expand ragh the ground was far too and Christine, his wife, may soft and he suffered from an be able to ask for more than a interrupted preparation. Yesconservatory. terday, with fast ground in his The outcome of the day's favour, he set the record

feature race may have form Charnwood Forest also pundits scratching their heads as Bijou D'Inde compreshowed his tall home reputation was more than justified hensively reversed the Irish and English 2000 Guineas by converting potential into form of the higest order when he ran out the easiest winner

of the Queen Anne Stakes for years. The lightly-raced fouryear-old cruised up alongside Mistle Cat, the long-time lead-er and, despite drifting to his right, soon pulled four lengths

clear of his tolling rivals.

The Godolphin horse is entered in all the top mile races as he sets out to become the season's champion miler. However, as the French discovered yesterday, the Scots may have something to say about such lofty ambitions.

Fashion focus, page 3

# Moller tradition maintained by First Island

THE famous Moller livery was swept into the winner's enclosure at Royal Ascot for the third time in four years yesterday when First Island swamped Montjoy for finishing speed in the Prince Of Wales's Stakes. It made another unlikely instalment to a fantasy destined to run for years to come.

Amidst the deluge of petrodollars annually staked on the choicest bloodstock, this is a story of unbroken success with a limited bud-get. Little could Budgie Moller have realised what he started in 1989, when, on his death, he made limited provision for the purchase of horses to race in his chocolate and brown silks. Budgie and his brother, Eric, had long been the mainstays of the Wragg family's Newmarket stable but their influence did not end with their lives. Although their White Lodge Stud was sold in its entirety, Geoffrey Wragg was to train the purchases in recognition of his achievements.

has proved a wise move. Five years later, even on a vastly reduced scale, Mollers Racing remains the most influential patron at Abington Place. First Is-land's Royal Ascot triumph followed those gained by Nicolotte and Pentire last year and Petardia four years

Wragg's recruitment of

John Ferguson, a Newmar-

ket-based bloodstock agent,

to manage the show in 1991

Yet First Island was effectively Mollers Racing's secstring, for Pentire, the stable Jewel, has been held in reserve for the summer championship races. Ferguson neatly encapsulated the fairytale when he said: There must be a certain amount of divine inspiration involved because I just don't know where we get the

luck from. Luck, to be sure, is the

JULIAN MUSCAT

at Royal Ascot

smallest denominator within this remarkable equation. Trustees of Mollers Racing have never revealed the extent of the brothers' largesse but a healthy profit on the account should ensure that the Moller silks carried by Tecnoso to win the Derby in 1983, which marked Wrage's first year as a trainer — should grace British racecourses well into the next century.

The family theme extended to the Coventry Stakes won in exciting fashion by Verglas. The grey colt is trained in Ireland by Kevin Prendergast, whose father, Paddy, won this event six times in a 16-year period from 1953. This was one that got away for Sheikh Moammed, who established Godolphin Management Co Ltd, breeders of Verglas, as a precursor to the Godolphin

The breeding venture was intended to produce precocious juveniles for racing in Dubai but was disbanded when the sheikh preferred to train a better quality of horses. Prendergast was able to purchase Verglas for 26,000 guineas and believes he could be a Guineas horse.

## ROYAL ASCOT

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The Times Private Handlospper's top rating:

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.30 Alf-Royal. 4.20 Yeast. 4.55 SHERPAS (nap).

# GUIDE TO OUR RACECARD

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# Shake The Yoke can avenge Longchamp defeat tion at Longchamp in October. However, Akil can go well at a

2.30: My Branch boasts solid Please Suzanne and King Of classic form. This shorter trip should suit Barry Hills's filly but preference is for Ramooz, who improves with every run. Ben Hanbury's runner came good over Epsom's fast seven furlongs last time after failing to stay ten furlongs on his penultimate start. He holds Almushtarak and had Ali-Royal back in third when winning at Thirsk last month.

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The East step up from six furlongs and must improve to take a hand. Bigger dangers are Leonine and Russian Revival. The latter floundered on an easy surface at the Curragh last time and is capable of 3.05: More Silver will take all

the beating in this test of speed. She hails from Paul Cole's stable, which houses an abundance of two-year-old talent, and she could not have been more impressive on her Newbury debut. Dance Parade, from the same yard as the selection, has impressed in her two victories but is not considered on a par with her stablemate. Moonshine Girl looks a bigger threat. She should improve from her narrow defeat of Dancing Drop. Lycility and Connemara

TODAY'S RACES AT ASCOT

3.45: Shake The Yoke can avenge her Poule d'Essai des Pouliches defeat by Ta Rib. who had the run of a rough race. Olivier Peslier now replaces the unfortunate Dominique Boeuf aboard Shake The Yoke, who was sent off an odds-on favourite at Longchamp. She is fancied to

retrieve the three-quarters of a length by which Ta Rib prevailed. Ta Rib, who has home advantage this time, is lightly raced and therefore capable of further improvement. She represents a more formidable opponent than Dance Design. Dermot Weld's runner chased home Matiya in the Irish 1,000 Guineas (Priory Belle held)

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4.20: Apart from Chickawicka, there are no obvious front runners but the pace looks likely to come from horses drawn towards the stands' side. Donna Viola wins more than her fair share of races and appeared to show improved form when landing a fast-run listed race at Epsom 12 days ago. Chris Wall has his horses in fine fettle and this strongly-run race over a stiff mile should be ideal.

Yeast won the Victoria Cup here in impressive style and ran equally well in defeat at Lingfield nine days later. Having raced only six times. William Haggas's runner has scope for further improvement but finished behind the selec- and looks a worthy favourite. may be Cecil's other runner,

decent price on this fast ground. There were genuine excuses for his first two runs this term and, after a decent run at Kempton last time, he looks fairly treated judged on the best of last season's form.

4.55: Henry Cecil has won this race four times in the past decade and looks to have an ideal candidate in Sherpas to maintain his excellent record. Winner of his only start at Newmarket in April when heating Sasuru, an impressive winner at York on Saturday. he should stay and may have too much speed for his rivals.

Lallans, an out-and-out stayer, is arguably the form choice, judged on his second to Derby runner-up. Dushyantor, at Newmarket, but he could be found wanting in the finish. The biggest danger

Valedictory, who was just over a length behind Sherpas at Newmarket.

5.30: My two against the field are Beauchamp Jade and Dance So Suite. The form of Beauchamp Jade's Newmarket handicap success in May has worked out well with the two placed horses both winning subsequently, while Henry Candy's runner did particularly well to win a faisely-run race at Doncaster 25 days ago.

She should go close but preference is for Dance So Suite, who won with something in hand over the Derby distance at Epsom. The runner-up has boosted the form by winning in a canter at York and this progressive gelding can complete a memorable day for Cole.

RICHARD EVANS

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☐ Michael Kinane remains favourite to win the London Clubs Trophy as leading rider at Royal Ascot. The Irishman, who won the Queen Anne Stakes on Charnwood Forest yesterday, is 8-11 with William Hill, who then bet 4-1 Michael Hills, 11-2 Pat Eddery, Jason Weaver, 14-1 others.

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# DAILY TEAM-BY-TEAM GUIDE

**GROUP A** 



The English press football team completed an unenviable sequence yesterday but it was one that may nevertheless have encouraged the national team before their match against the Dutch last night. Playing a few hundred yards from Wembley stadium, the Dutch crushed their English counterparts they stadium, the Dutch crushed their English counterparts 7-2 yesterday morning, despite the presence in the English attack of Graham Kelly, the FA chief executive. Johan Cruyff was rumoured to be playing but did not turn up and the only Dutch celebrity present was the tather of the midfielder, Clarence Seedorf, who gave the English journalists the consolation of a few titbits about the quarrels that are splitting the Dutch care. ting the Dutch camp.

CAUTIONS: Adams, G Neville, Ince, Shearer



### SWITZERLAND

All can be revealed. It was the Swiss media who broke the Edgar Davids Affair, which is still threatening the increasingly fragile harmony of the Holland camp. Davids, rather naively, thought that, by airing his grievances to the foreign press, it might not receive such widespread coverage. Wrong. The next moming, his views were in every Dutch organ from Amsterdam to Amstelveen. "Edgar was foolish but it made a good yam," one Swiss journalist said. Fortunately, said scribe was not present when Davids beat a hasty and undignified exit from the Dutch hq in Hertfordshire, with the assembled media having to take swift and evasive action.

CAUTIONS: Grassi (2), Vogel, Ouentin, Vega, Jeanneret, Chapuisa Türkyilmaz



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### HOLLAND

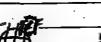
Fear of flying afflicts many footballers — Ian Rush, the former Liverpool striker, is honorary president of the White-Knuckle Club. Holland have their WKC members, too, with Dennis Bergkamp, the Arsenal striker, and John Veldman, the Sparta Rotterdam defender, preferring to travel via Eurotunnel on their way to Euro 96. Bergkamp's worries arise from a long-ago prank that backfired at 37,000 feet but the anxieties of Veldman, who is soon to join Ajex to replace Michael Reiziger, his Dutch team-mate, are born from tragedy. Seven years ago, his brother, Elfried, was among a party of players killed in a plane crash at Zaendeni airport in players killed in a plane crash at Zaendenj airport in Surinam.

CAUTIONS: Witschge, Taument, Seedori

# SCOTLAND

Even the implausible demands a certain amount of admin-istration. Scotland approached the match with Switzerland yesterday, knowing that they were almost certainly out of the competition, but still booked a new hotel for one turther night as a precaution against miracles. The players had re-quested a move to a more central location. The tranquility of their present base, in a rural setting near Stratford-upon-Avon, must be making them twitchy. There was certainly a cutture shock when a training session, on NFU Mutual's leisure facilities, was thrown open to 1,000 staff and children. Not one of the 22 footballs went "missing". It was never like this in Glasgow.

CAUTIONS Boyd, Gallacher, Collins, Spencer, Hendry



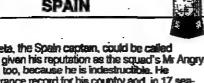


DISMISSAL: Pizzi

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### SPAIN

**GROUP B** 



Andoni Zubizarreta, the Spain captain, could be called Captain Scarlet, given his reputation as the squad's Mr Angry. It is appropriate, too, because he is indestructible. He holds the appearance record for his country and, in 17 seasons, suffered his first injury only this year. It happened in January, when he putled a thigh muscle, which ended a sequence of 534 Spanish league games. His anger has mounted all week about the "gloomy" Spanish press, and he has finally won his one-man crusade to prevent them from staying in the same hotel as the team in future. CAUTIONS. Cerminero, Sergi, Annor, Abelardo, Luís Emique, Amavisco Otero, Kiko, Nadel

BULGARIA

What is it about England? So far the Premiership, apper-ently admired by all the best players across the Continent, has failed to attract any of the stars of Euro 96. The latest to turn his back on us is lordan Letchkov, that bald-headed bea-con of midfield industry. The Hamburg player has been wooed by several English clubs, and even said last week that wooled by several English Gues, and even later the crunch, how-he wanted to come here. When it came to the crunch, how-ever, he chose France, saying: "I will sign for Olympique de Marseille in the next few days unless there are any last-minute complications." Marseille are elso chasing Hegi, the

CALITIONS; Klachischev (2), Tastanov (2), Stoichkov, Ivanov, Kremenille DISMISSAL: Hubchev

ROMANIA

Romania are on their way to Bucharest today but Gheorgi Hagi at least had the consoletion of returning home clutching his 100th tull international cap, collected against Spain at Elland Road yesterday. Reaching this deserved milestone could mark a watershed in the Barcelona's midfleder's

magnificent if moody career. His contract at the Nou Camp ex-pires this month and Hagi is determined to turn his back on

Bolby Robson's overtures and prepare his passport for a stint in the United States, Japan or, just possibly, England. Hagi has reportedly said that he would not be averse to moving to Darlington. Jim Platt, manager of the third division club, would surely not reject him.

FRANCE

Christian Karembeu may look like an independent soul, and he acts like one too, using his position to offer support for worthy causes such as Ards charities and the campaign against nuclear testing; but there is one thing the deep-thinking, free spirit still needs . . . his mum. The midfield player has to ring her before every big match. There is a problem, though. Before the game against Bulgaria, he rang home as usual but, on the New Caledonia island where she lives, it was 3am. Bleavewerd, she still managed to conside up.

was 3am, Bleary-eyed, she still managed to conjure up some mother comfort — and no doubt confirmed that Christian's favourite teddy bear was all right.

CALITIONS: di Meco, Blanc, Karembeu, Djorkseff, Desailly,

CAUTIONS: Ilie (2), Mihali, Selymes, Popescu, Hegi, Ilie, Gilica



### CZECH REPUBLIC

GROUP C

**GERMANY** 

Germany held their biggest press conference yet yes-terday, with a horde of Italian journalists swelling the numbers. One arrived in a Bentley with the number plate WEN2L (underneath and back). It was not that bad, but Germany were

turing and pack, it was not that dut, but can have revealing nothing, although Jürgen Klimsmann was full of diplomacy as always. "I would recommend anybody to spend a few years in Italy," Klimsmann said. "It will develop you as a player and your personatity." A German reporter who tried to get him to reveal his preferred striking partner was no more successful. "I am glad I am not in Bertie Vogts's boots, because he has four strikers to choose from."

because he has four strikers to choose from."

CAUTIONS: Belobel (2), Fleuter, Hässter, Mötter, Kuntz, Ziege Blerhoft

What better way to prepare for the crunch game against Russia at Antield tonight than a visit to the Golden Mile at Blackpoot? A ride or two on the big dipper ought to put the speed of Andrei Kanchelskis into perspective. The mood in the squad is fairly relaxed, with Lubos Kubik. of Nuremburg. the most upbeat, having been called into the side to replace Miroslav Kadlec, the sweeper, who is suspended. Otherwise the Czechs will line up as they did for their unexpected 2-1 win over italy. The Czechs intend to hold a press conference at midnight tonight — if they have reached the quarter-finals. If they fail, they will face the world at the more sober hour of 10am komorrow:

CAUTIONS: Kadlec, Drutak, Bejbt. Nedved



### ITALY

Just for a change, there are no shocks in the Italy tine-up selected to face Germany tonight with Arreso Second placing his faith in the the ten players who tinished their second match, against the Czech Republic, with Di Matteo reinstated as the eleventh man. "I'm not womed," Seconi said "I'm trying to smile now because I don't know if I'd be able to smile tomorrow." The big debate in the Italy camo has been over why the team have played better in the second half in both of their games to date. If they can creck that one, they could progress, it is Sacchi's fiftieth match in charge — will it also be his last?

CALITIONS, Albertins, Donadoni, Fuser DISMISSAL: Apolioni

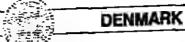


### RUSSIA

Russia held a press conference yesterday and this time, everybody came. "The drawbridge is down," a security guard said with a smile. No smiles inside though. "We'come to what is likely to be our farewell press conference." The team press officer said, and that set the tone. After the news blackout of the previous weeks however, vesterday's meeting was sensational. Sergel Kiriakov was sent nome yesterday morning. "We have tried to improve the fighting some of the team, but Kiriakov was not only not a contribute, he was the one who undermined team morate. Osg Formantses the

CAUTIONS: Onopko (2), Kolyvanov, Kanchersha DISMISSAL: Kovium

**GROUP D** 



The surprise of the tournament: Denmark have injury worthe surprise of the tournament. Desiring it rave sliply working before their game against Turkey today, Having been blessed with a fit squad thus far, perhaps this is just the setback that they need to wallop Turkey and clinch unlikely qualification for the quarter-finals. Mikkel Beck has a muscular problem and Jacob Laursen an Achilles tendon injury. One other reculiarity. The Denmark players are commission. One other peculiarity. The Denmark players are promising neat, one-touch, attacking football. After their 3-0 defeat by Croatia, this could be Denmark's last waitz — and the last match in charge for Richard Moeller Nielsen, their coach, Soren Andersen is expected to join Brian Laudrup in attack, with Michael Laudrup dropping deeper.

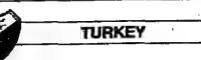
CAUTIONS: Risager, Helveg



### PORTUGAL

The Portuguese continue to harp on about the refereeing, both about the yellow cards and some of the decisions not given against other teams. Yesterday Antonio Oliveira complained about free kicks his side did get. "Against Turkey we had good opportunities denied us by the referee calling play back to give us free kicks," he said. The relationship between the captain and press is tense. Vitor Bala refuses to talk to the Portuguese press, saying that all they ask him about is his impending move to Barcelona. "You are showing a lack of respect for the Portuguese people," one journalist said. Baia remained impassive.

CAUTIONS Paulinho Santos (2). Oceano, Sa Pinto, João Pinto, Paulo Sousa, Figo. Tavarês



italy's supporters and press pack could employ a lynch Italy's supporters and press pack could employ a lynch mob for Arrigo Sacchi, the coach, if things go wrong against Germany today; the Spanish cognoscenti are not too impressed with their team or results, either, Yet Turkey have received little but praise for their efforts, despite a campaign that could end with no goals and nul points. "Being here is our achievement," Eray Korkmaz, one of more than a thousand Turkiye followers from Germany, said. "We are proud of our team, we love the way they have played. There is no atmosphere like that of Turkish football." Eray's idols bid farewell acainst Denmark at Hillsborough today. against Denmark at Hillsborough today.

CAUTIONS: Tolunay (2), Abdullah, Vedat, Rahim

# CROATIA

Croatia's emergence as a force to be respected in Euro 96 has delighted Dr Franjo Tudiman, the Croatia president. The good doctor is a close friend of Miroslav Blazavic, the team coach, and they share a keen rivally on the tennis courts and card tables. Tudiman's tax from Zagreb was among the first of many congratulatory messages that the squad received after their impressive 3-0 win over Denmark at Hillsborough on Sunday, and he has been invited to attend the closing stages of the tournament, should Croatia reach the semi-tinals. "He knows all of the players," a teem spokesman said. "If we get to the last four and he comes over, it would be a:

great extra incentive for us." CALITIONS: Assnovic, Boben, Soldo, Stanic, Prosinecki, Viscvic RK



### GROUP A

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GROUP B

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Romania 1 Spain 2

Radiuciolu (29) Manjarin (11) Amore (83) (Elland Road, attendance 32,719)

REPORTS: Oliver Holt, Kevin McCarra, Peter Ball, Russell Kempson, Alyson Rudd, David Maddock and Louise Taylor

MATCH-BY-MATCH GUIDE

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**GROUP C** 

Ziege (25) Möller (31) (Old Trafford, attendence 37,300) italy 2 Russia 1 Casiraghi (5, 52) Tsymbalar (20) (Antield, attendance 35,120) Czech Republic 2 Italy 1

Russia 0 Germany 3 Today Italy v Germany (Old Trafford, 7.30) BBC1

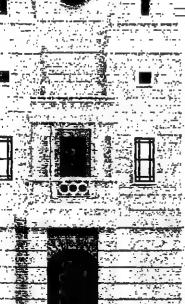
Russia v Czech Republic (Anfield, 7.30)

Nedved (4) Beibl (35) Chiesa (1 (Anfield, attendence 37,320) Sammer (56) Klinsmann (77, 90) (Old Trafford, attendance 50,760) GROUP D

8 Laudrup (21) Sa Pinto (52) (Hillsborough, attendance 34,993) Turkey 0 Croatia 1 Vlaovic (85) (City Ground, attendance 22,460) Portugal 1 Turkey 0 Couto (66)

(City Ground, attendance 22,670) Croatia 3 Denmark 0 Suker (53 pen, 90) Boban (81) (Hillsborough, attendance 33,671) Today

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Holland

Sat June 22 France v Holland (Anfield, 6:30)

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By David Maddock

FRANCE progressed smoothly into the quarter-finals of the European championship with an ultimately comfortable victory over Bulgaria at St James' Park, Newcastle, yesterday, In doing so, they propelled their opponents out of the competition, and perhaps towards

The Bulgarians had always considered this the last tournament for an ageing side. Now they have the necessary evidence that rebuilding must be undertaken before World Cup qualifying begins.

The bitter rivalry between the sides was evident from the post-match comments. Desailly. France's marvellous



centre back, said: "I take nothing from my battle with Stoichkov, i did not appreciate racist comments he made to me and the other Africans in the French team. I no longer consider him a great player. What he said demeans him."

Stoichkovreplied: "I don't care what Desailly said. It is normal fracial abusel, it happens all over the pitch. What is said on the pitch is ignored when you walk off it." France controlled the match

after shaking off a nervous lethargy in the opening min-utes. They have a midfield and forward line so fluid that it could drown any team in the tournament.

For Bulgaria, Stoichkov was again outstanding, but even his incredible range of talents could not plug the gap where their hopes drained through

tition because Spain secured a second, winning goal, and because they cannot defend corners or free kicks.

Laurent Blane proved their nemesis. He scored one goal from a corner and created so much panie that Bulgaria conceded an own goal in a match which was not for the faint-hearted. Adding a very real edge to the contest were memories of November 1993. when a Bulgaria goal in the final seconds condemned France to a defeat that cost a place in the World Cup finals and a period of painful introspection.

Remarkably, Bulgaria field-ed ten of the II who started that match, which was enough to raise the blood pressure by a degree or two. Thankfully the the two English referees kept a sensible grip. There were two because Paul Durkin replaced Dermot Gallagher after the latter retired before half-time with a leg injury.

The ugliest of confrontations came, predictably, between Stoichkov and Desailly, who was booked early on for hauling Stoichkov down on the edge of the box. It could have been a red card and it should have been for the Bulgarian who, in the opening minutes, demonstrated the full range of his colourful character. First he was beg-ging the referee to send off Desailly; then he stamped on Lama before an audacious free kick produced a fine save from the abused goalkeeper.

Stoichkov got a similar opportunity from a similar distance after 67 minutes and this time the ball curved in a perfect are to the top right corner of the net. He made it look so simple, it was beautiful ... but. by then, Bulgaria were two down.

France, after being hard pressed in the opening 20 minutes, took a deep breath. thanked their lucky stars, and gratefully took the lead. It was a simple goal, too, Djorkaeff delivering a floating corner to the head of the unmarked Blanc, who converted with

France were allowed dominance in midfield by the strange decision of Dimitar



Kremenljev, of Bulgaria, becomes airborne in his pursuit of Lizarazu during the match at Newcastle yesterday

switch the influential Balakov to the left from his favoured central position. Myhailov, the goalkeeper who was breaking his country's appearance record with his 97th cap. denied Dugarry with a quite outrageous save after the forward had chipped intelligently and later saved from Djorkaeff and Zidane, but he

could do nothing in the 62nd minute when his defence was again undone by a cross from Djorkaeff. This time it was missed by Blanc, but the ball skimmed into the net off the head of the unfortunate Penev. Stoichkov's response re-

opened prospects of the 2-2 draw that would have seen

be a third game in a week was just too much for ageing legs. As if to rub it in, France secured another goal on the final whistle, Loko rounding Mihailov after being put through by Karembeu.

FRANCE (4-3-2-1). B Larme (Pans Sent-German) — L Thuram (Monaco), L Blanc (Austra), M Deselly (AC Milan), B Lizaraza (Bordegua) — C Karembeu

BULGARIA (4-4-2) B Myhaliov (Paeding)
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and for Bulgaria.

gression in midfield. In the end they were too most players, though. It was a day that began brilliantly and ended disastrously, for him durable for Romania the start, the World Cup quarter-finalists looked as if They were made to look an insubstantial team, confounded by superior organisation and more even temperaments.

Perhaps the problem is that

is not just down to luck. With the aptly named Stinga and Raducioiu beginning dangerously, they could have taken an early lead, but the poor finishing which has faced. Hagi released ilie, but, from a good position. he

Instead, rather unluckily. Romania found themselves behind after ten minutes. Kiko, whose sheer physical presence caused Romania con-

# Spain squeeze through with a little help from referee

By PETER BALL

SPAIN are making a habit of leaving it late. On Saturday they equalised against France with five minutes to spare: yesterday there were seven minutes remaining when Amor's header earned the victory which takes them to a quarter-final at Wembley on Saturday as Group B runners-

By the end they just about deserved that success, after attacking with mounting conviction as the second half wore on; but they still needed a stroke of luck to claim the decisive goal.

Prodan, the aggressive Romania defender, was lying injured in the penalty area, playing Sergi onside to make a telling cross. Once he had done so, the Romania defence was split as the two substitutes combined, Alfonso rising to head the ball back and Amor bending to leave Prunea help-

Anghel Iordanescu, the Romania coach, has already had his say about refereeing in this tournament, and that will add further to his complaints. Another referee might easily have blown for play to stop before Sergi received the ball.

However, if lordanescu believes that his team are going home because of goalkeeping and refereeing blunders, as he has said, he is mistaken. They are going home because yesterday, as in their other group matches, they did not score goals. They missed enough chances in the opening quarter to have left Spain facing an almost impossible task if they

wanted to reach Wembley. If Spain had their moments of fortune, though, they will be a test when they get to London. Spanish defences are always hard, and this one is no exception, but the tough little Sergi, Nadal and Hierro give them fluency as well as ag-

they would at least salvage some pride by going home with a win. Instead, they have lost all three games, and that

blazed over the bar. stant problems for an hour. found Amavisca. His shot hit his colleague, Pizzi, in the back and fell nicely into the path o Manjarin, who side-footed it beyond Prunea.

That gave Spain the start that they were looking for, but Romania held on and, on the half hour, they claimed an excellent equaliser. Great skill by Stinga put in Raducioiu to run in and shoot below Zubizarreta, the ball clipping the goalkeeper's elbow on its way into the net.

From then until half-time. Romania had the better of the exchanges, even though Hagi was a muted figure. Yet Romania failed to recap-

ture their earlier conviction when they returned for the second half and, increasingly, Spain kept up a constant barrage of the Romania goal



Amor: late winner

as news that France were beating Bulgaria arrived to offer them hope of progress. For a time it looked as if missed chances were going to deny them.

Prunea made a fine save from Manjarin and another excellent one at close range from Amavisca, who accepted Alfonso's pass to turn past opescu only to be denied by

the goalkeeper. Soon an even better chance arrived as Kiko put in Amor, who drew the goalkeeper and then slipped the ball across goal for Hierro, but Petrescu spread himself to block the

arrive with his body. Finally, as time was running out, the goal came that sent Spain through. "Our participation has been

a failure," Iordanescu said, "but we won't turn it into a tragedy. We will start afresh to build for the World Cup."

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### Tormented Stoichkov beaten by the enemy Tristo Stoichkov, the high skills and high tempers Simon Barnes watches the downfall of a half, two periods of majestic day, if not the tournament, for Bulgaria forward, that always wobbled on the football. It is no good having most players. Stoichkov is not

L star and talisman. said before this match that Bulgaria would not win the European championship because they would not be allowed, fantasising a Europe-wide conspiracy of footballing officials against small nations. Bulgaria were not, indeed, allowed to progress any further: they crashed out because of the internal tensions of the team and their troubled and trou-

blesome striker. There were suggestions that their match against France would be a comfortable draw that would allow both teams to go through. If there had indeed been a non-aggression pact, nobody bothered to tell the players. It was a match of

edge of brilliance, on the edge of disaster, without ever quite reaching either.

it featured a great match within a match, with the two No 8s, who homed in on each other before the second minute was up. One, inevitably, was Stoichkov, who looks more like a bank robber than what he is, the owner of a bank. The other was Desailly. who was mostly marking him. In that second minute, he was beaten by a Stoichkov charge and tripped him as he headed in on goal. In the FA Carling Premiership, that might well have been a red card. As it was, the yellow was merely a signal that battle had been joined.

Stoichkov is one of those

team and star torn apart by internal strife

rare, quite mesmerising foot-ballers. When any world-class player is truly up for a big game, the results tend to be compelling, but Stoichkov brings an added dimension to all this. He has a quality of menace, of danger, often associated with great actors. He may, at his very best, approach the Olivier class as a footballer, but as an actor he is distinctively Dr Martens

His persistent attempts to fool the referee were obvious enough, but every rejection Stoichkov's sense of persecution; his belief that the world is against Bulgaria, in

general, and Stoichkov in particular. He got up from every fall with all the insufferable self-righteousness of a

liar who believes his own

Football is another matter. though. He possesses a reptilian quality, and Desailly watched him the way you do a snake in your living room. The two exchanged off-theball chest butts, whirling boots, theatrical tumble wounded looks to officials and, on one occasion, a couple vigorous, unpunished

Stoichkov led Bulgaria to two purple patches in the first

rple patches, however, it you do not score in them, and, if you concede a humdrum goal from a corner as well. things begin to fall apart.

France had the wil to slow things down after they had gone ahead, allowing Bulgar-ia to get cross with life, late, the world and each other rather than with their opponents, Conceding a truly foolish goal, direct from a corner,

hardly added to the internal harmonies. So to Stoichkov once again.

Does he wake up in the morning and ponder: "What shall I do today? Shall I score a goal or shall I get sent off?" His deliciously-flipped free kick would have made the

### they are overly reliant on one player. Stoichkov was able only to produce a single miracle on the day. The rest of his and Bulgaria's hopes went by in his ultimately fruitless and distracting battle with

Desailly and in a series of

huffy and temperamental ges-

tures to his team-mates. Bulgaria had looked set for great things in this tourna-ment; they leave with nothing but a great disappointment.

# Italy pressure mounts on Sacchi

By PETER BALL

ARRIGO SACCHI is no stranger to pressure. It goes with the territory for the Italy coach, along with the compen sation of a salary said to be El

million a year.

However, if Italy lose their match with Germany this evening and go home instead of progressing to the quarterfinals, even the salary will not soften the awareness of his own responsibility. His decision to make five changes against the Czech Republic carries a lot of blame for the defeat, which leaves Italy probably needing to beat Germany to survive.

Yesterday, even Berti Vogis, the Germany coach, who is reluctant to criticise any of his colleagues, and Jürgen Klinsmann, who is a byword for diplomacy, were unable to resist a dig. When Vogts was asked if he was watching potential quarter-final opponents, he said: "We will never

deal with the next but one opponent - do that and you are on your way home." Klinsmann was even more

pointed. Maybe it was not too wise to make so many changes, particularly leaving out a player who had scored two goals, he said with reference to Casiraghi. "If that had



Klinsmann: diplomatic

happened to me, I would have had a problem accepting it." he said, "and it has caused unrest in the team."

There is, of course, no chance of Klinsmann being left on the bench today, but, his captain apart, Vogts was being his usual, cautious self, refusing to reveal his hand. No. he would not say who Klinsmann's partner would

That is the least of his problems; the main one coming at the back. The loss of Kohler is compounded by the absence today of Marcus Babbel, his deputy, who is suspended. Steffan Freund, a defensive midfield player by preference, is expected to be pressed into service to mark Zola, who Germany see as Italy's key creative force.

Germany are aware that an unlikely combination of results, which would bring the coefficient calculation

play, could see them going home though it is highly unlikely. "It would be history's joke, if that happened," Klinsmann said, but it could happen: so it is an incentive

not to be too laid back." Vogts agreed. "Any player who needs motivating for a match against Italy should not be in the team," he said.

Italy know that, for them, there is no second chance. "This is our final," Paolo Maldini, their captain, said before comparing the pressure of this game with that he experienced in the European Cup Champions' League with AC Milan after a home defeat by Salzburg.

Milan won in Austria to go through. Italy could survive on a draw if Russia beat the Czech Republic, but they obviously cannot count on that and will have to look for a win. The question is whether they are capable of it.

# Jittery Portugal have point to make

By Russell Kempson

CRUATIA are happy, exceptionally so. They have won both their matches and have already qualified for the quar-ter-finals of Euro 90. Portugal are unhappy, and suffering from a festering discontent bordering on paranoia. Luis Filipe Madeira Figo, the influential Barcelona midfield player, twisted his left ankle in six-a-side training; Antonio Luis Ribeiro de Oliveira, the coach, thinks that everybody

is against him. Amid such contrasting moods, Croatia and Portugal do battle at the City Ground this afternoon to resolve the outcome of Group D. A draw will be enough for both to progress into the last eight; a defeat for Portugal could allow Denmark to slip past them should they topple Turkey by a wide margin at Hills

borough. If points were awarded for temperament, or deducted for lack of it, the Croats would be well ahead of the Portuguese. It would be no contest. Miroslav Blazevic, the Croatia coach, has even stated that he would prefer to play Germany, the tournament favourites, in the quarterfinals, rather than possibly Italy or the Czech Republic.

Blazevic is 61, and the oldest coach in the tournament, but his grasp of reality has not waned. "I like Germany: they are such nice guys." he said. "Seriously, they play the foot-ball that would suit us the most. We are confident, for sure, but still have a deep respect for every opponent."

He will change his side from the one that brushed aside Denmark 3-0. Nikola Jerkan has not recovered from a broken nose, Alen Boksic has a throat infection, and Davor Suker, who scored two of the goals, will probably be rested for the more testing games.

Portugal's preparations have been plagued Oliveira's odd utterings. "We have videoed all the games so far and there is a wide difference in the criteria of the vellow cards awarded against Portugal and those given to others," he said vesterday.

His claims of victimisation

Figo: ankle injury

appear unproven. Though they will be missing Paulinho Santos today through suspension, and six of his team-mates are on one booking each, the Czech Republic, Switzerland and Germany have similarly

poor disciplinary records. Oliveira, who strangely prefers to be quoted generally, not directly, is likely to bring in Secretario, of FC Porto, to replace Santos. Jorge Cadete or Jose Domingos could start up front for the first time, but, if Figo does not shake off his ankle injury. Oliveira's depression will be

complete.
At Hilisborough, Turkey will, in all likelihood, be more committed than ever in an effort to appease their particularly enthusiastic supporters with at least one victory. With nothing to lose, it could turn out to be the most passionate game of the qualification round.

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# Sampras fails to get luck of the Wimbledon draw

THE smile of fortune is not alighting on Pete Sampras these days, even if his bank manager remains happy. A tough draw for the French Open singles has been immediately followed by another for Wimbledon, the arena that fills him with a sense of destiny, that makes him say inwardly "this is it" whenever he walks through the

The man who has been Wimbledon champion for the past three years arrived there yesterday morning to discover first-round match against Richey Reneberg, his compatriot, who has twice beaten him, will probably be followed by a second-round with Mark meeting Philippoussis, 19, of Australia, who thrashed him in straight sets in the Australian Open

It will get no easier. There is the prospect of playing Cedric Pioline, a Frenchman who, on his day, hits rockets from the baseline, in the last 16; then a quarter-final against either Thomas Muster, the claycourt specialist who found his touch on grass at Oueen's, or Michael Stich, the runner-up in the French Open and a former Wimbledon champion, who is surprisingly seeded as low as No IO. The scheduled semi-final is against Goran Ivanisevic, whom he beat at the same stage last

unfalteringly goodnatured Sampras smiled in his easy-going way as he

him and another step towards emulating Bjorn Borg's five singles titles.
is very solid, Reneberg Sampras reflected, returns well and must be in shape, having won a tournament last week ... and Philippoussis? "He's a very big hitter with a

huge serve, who has proved he can beat me," Sampras said. "He's very tough to return [service] and it's a pretty tough draw." The better news for him is that Boris Becker, the latest Queen's champion and the man he beat in the final last year - after Becker's memorable win over Agassi has been seeded No 2, in the bottom half, together with Kafelnikov, the French champion. It was Kafelnikov who scuttled Sampras in the semifinal in Paris when the latter's muscles finally seized up after three earlier five-set

To recover from the ordeal of that fortnight's marathon.



Sampras: philosophical

WIMBLEDON DRAW

Men's singles Men's singles

FIRST ROUND: (1) P Semprae (US) v R

Reneborg (US); M Philippousce, (Auch v J

Fizno (Arg.), K. Goddens (Bc); v B Ebotk

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I Kradsak (Stovako) v A Facate (CB); C

Willarson (GB) v R Krapetk (Fid); M

Norman (Swe) v M Petchey (GB), J

Semernik (Holl) v (16) C Pioline (Fid), (10)

M Stich (Ger) v S Schalkon (Holl), C Raud

fixor) v S Matoucka (Japan); S Stolle (Auc)

v qualifier. M Woodlonde (Aus) v M Larson

(Swo); qualifier v G Recadina (GB); qualifier

v B Stoven (NZ). D Rocatigno (US) v J Van

Herck (Bel); J Sánchez (Sp) v (7) T Muster

(Auch; Se)

Seeded players in bold

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(4) G kranisevic (Cro) v 9 Karbachor (Ger), qualifier v 6 Moya (Sp); qualifier v A Volkov (Russ); O Ogorodov (Uzb) v M Damm (Cr); G Pozz (II) v J Cunha-Sivo (Por); P Rafter (Aux) v D Vocek (Cr). A Obrovsky (Russ) v 10 Dreekmon (Ger); S Changi v 4 March (18) H Dreekman (Ger); S Il Rossel (Switz); (12) V G Forgot (Fr): M 6) v (14) M Flor

S Edberg (Swe) v G Forgot (Fr); M Tibizborn (Swe) v M Ciciliner (Ger); M Tobbutt (Auc) v A Cometa (Sp): A Chesrokov (Fucc) v J Hiscoek (Switz), qualifier v) Novak (C2); J Stotlenberg (Auc) v A Vornea (Rom); qualifier v D Rivi (C2), A Costa (Sp) v (6) M Chang (US).

(S) Y Katelinikov (Ruos) v T Herman (G8); qualifier v D Sapstord (G8); J Bjorkman (Swe) v L Milliogan (G8); K Carleen (Den) v N Lapenth (Ec); T Woodbridge (Auc) v guelifier M

Bjorkman (Swe) v L Mängan (GB); K Carlaen (Den) v N Lapenth (EC): T Woodbridge (Aus) v qualifier, M Gustafsson (Swe) v qualifier, M Joyce (US) v A Gaudenz (II); B Prinosi (Ger) v (11) W Ferrera (SA); (13) T Mertin (US) v M Ondruska (SA); E Sánchez (Sp) v qualifier, F Futten (II) v A Mecheclev (Ukr); C Beacher (GB) v N Gould (GB); H Arazz (Mor) v N Kuft (Swe); T Johansson (Swe) v J Elimph (Holl); qualifier v qualifier; qualifier v (3) A Agassi (US), (8) J Counter (US) v J Stark (US); M Knowles (Boh) v J Golmard (Fr); F Mertilla (Sp) v P Hasmus (Holl); M J Beites (GB) v N Perma (Ven); B Utimach (C2) v C Costa (Sp); F Dewulf (Be) v F Spacka (US); R Fromberg (Aus) v M Wassington (US); qualifier v (9) T Enqvist (Swe); (15) A Boetsch (Fr) v A Fladutescu (Ger); S Pescosolido (t) v C Woodhiff (US); D Whoston (US) v F Feterlain (Den); G Raux (Fr) v Y E Anaoul (Mor); G Stationd (US) v F Carbonell (Sp). J

Women's singles
FRST ROUND: (1) S Gral (Ger) v I.
Rictiferrova (Cz.), N Bezadone (ti) v J
Hussrova (Stovalos): H Nogvoro (Stovalos)
v N Arondt (US): C Porwick (Ger) v C Wood
(GB), A Fuza (Fr) v S Dopler (Austral): R
Stubius (Aus) v L Wild (US); R Victie; (GB) v
M Mider (GB); J Neyedly (Carr) v (18) M
Hingis (Swotz): (10) M Maleevas (Bul) v B
Ritier (Ger): P Kamstra (Hos) v N Tauzat
(Fr), N Zwena (Belov v E Lubaru (I)), M De
Swardt (SA) v P Hy-Boulzes (Carr); A
Carloson (Swo) v K Kachavendt (Ger): R
Dargomar (Rom) v Y Booule (Indo), L
Courtons (Bel) v A Glass (Ger), V Mannek
(Ccr) v (6) J Novothra (Cz)
(G) C Mactinez (Sp) v S Fanna (ti), L
Courtons (Bel) v A Glass (Ger), V Mannek
(Ccr) v (6) J Novothra (Cz)
(G) C Mactinez (Sp) v S Fanna (ti), L
Raymond (US) v A Montatio (Sp); L McNed
(US) v J Capnal (US); K Po (US) v qualifier
V Rusno-Pascosi (Sp) v K Booper (Pro); N
Raetike (Aus) v qualifier; A Sodot (Fr) v
ouzifier; K Nogatsuka (Lapan) v (12) K
Date (Japan); (13) M Petros (Fr) v P
Schnyder (Swic); J Ward (GB) v C Taylor
(GB); R Harels (Jepen) v C Singer (Ger); C
Moranu (US) v M Medwodew (Ur); E
Lidrovisona (Pausa) v E Caliens (Ber); A
Gwotton (Men) v K Adams (1871; Nestand

(GS): H Harati (Japani) v E Sangor (Ger): C Moranu (US) v M Mechaedeva (Usr): E Lichovisona (Russa) v E Catienta (Bet): A Gaustidon (Med) v K Adams (US): L Nesand (Lust) v K Rusaldi-Stunkel (US): M Schmell (Aust) v K Rusaldi-Stunkel (US): V qualifier, K Nosaak (Pol) v G Pizzotani (R): J Tornenca (Yug) v G Fernandez (US): R Zubalova (Slovalea) v S Park (Kor), A Frozer (US) v D Rundmarsely (Mor); I Gomochaequi (Arg) v A Smeshnova (Ist): S Smith (GB) v (18) I Spinkes (Rom); (11) B Schultz-McCorthy (Foli) v J Kruger (SA): R Bookova (Cz) v J Watanabe (US): K Habsudova (Stovalea) v M Grzybowska (Pol): N Miyagi (Japani) v S Appelmars (Bel), qualifier v M Sánchez-Lorenzo (Sp): N Sewarratisu (Japani) v N Kijimata (Japani): M Certaneta (Ji v 4) A Sanchez Vicarko (Sp) (Sh) A Huber (Ger) v G Leon Grace (Sp): P Sinhver (US) v qualifier; K Godridga (Aus) v H Sukova (Cz): qualifier v A Sugyarna (Japani): P Begerow (Ger) v B Schett (Austha): F Labat (Arg) v T Whittinger-Jones (US): S Cacle (US) v S Testud (Fi): J Kanderr (Ger) v (9) M Fernandez (US): (14) A Costeze (SA) v E Wagnar (Ger): A Miler (US) v P Susaez (Arg): v K Studenikova (Slovakle): A Grossman (US) v (2) M Seles (US).

during intense heat, Sampras returned home and did not pick up a racket for three days, devoting himself to sleep, the golf course and some films. He arrived in London rejuvenated, missing Queen's but practising daily at Aorangi Park, with an exhibition stroll yesterday against Jeremy Bates at Hurlingham. "I'm mentally fresh," he

promised, feeling comfortable in the surroundings of the tournament that he calls "the grand-daddy of them all". He learnt the game on carpet, but concedes that grass is now his (legitimate) addiction. "I've been hitting everyday for two hours or so; you need as much grass-court time as you can get," he said.

The press conference yester day was intended as an opportunity to offer his last comments before and during the tournament on Tim Gullikson, his late mentor and coach. The failure in Paris, he admitted, had been a huge disappointment: how to win the one grand slam event to have eluded him was one of the last things discussed between the two of them, succinctly summed up by Gullikson's "you win the last

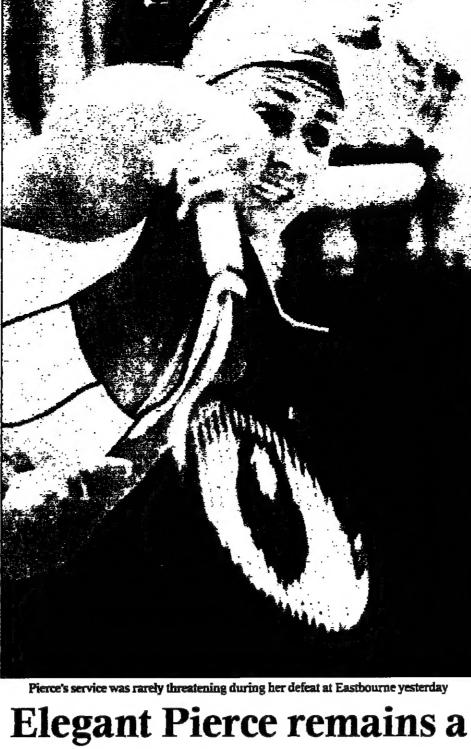
"I tried very hard for him. but I didn't have enough," Sampras said. Anyone who beats him in the coming two weeks will not do so lightly.

There had been around the room a collective sharp intake of breath in sympathy for Stefan Edberg, the champion of 1988 and 1990, and defeated finalist of 1989, who retires at the end of the year. Seeded No 12, he must play Guy Forget, of France, and in the third round has the prospect of meeting Andrei Chesnokov. the wily Russian.

The man with some luck is the evergreen Becker. He might have a match in the last 16 against Chris Woodruff, the emerging American who eliminated Agassi in the second round in Paris, but should be untroubled until a quarterfinal with Jim Courier, the No 8 seed, and a semi-final for the second successive year with Agassi, who is seeded

British hopefuls have mixed should go two rounds before a scheduled third round with Muster, should his service prosper, a last 16 meeting with Stich is a possibility. Tim Henman hits a wall first time out: Kafelnikov.

Where might the upsets occur in the too-predictable women's game? Steffi Graf, if less than fit, faces a tough quarter-final with Jana Novotna, who might have beaten her in the 1993 final. Most eyes, however, will be on the progress of Chanda Rubin, the exciting American, the No 7 seed, who could turn the tables on Arantxa Sánchez Vicario, a finalist last year, to gain a semi-final with a still uncertain Monica Seles, the



# model of inconsistency

BY ALIX RAMSAY

IF DRESSES could win tournaments, then at least Mary Pierce could be accused of trying to reach the top. When it comes to playing tennis. however, it is another matter entirely. Yesterday, elevated to the position of No 9 seed after the withdrawal of Steffi Graf. Pierce limped out of the Direct Line Insurance championships at Eastbourne, 6-0, 5-7, 6-2 to Irina Spirlea. At best, her performance could be described as lethargic, at worst, it did not bear thinking about - but at least the dress

looked all right. Unlike at Roland Garros, in Paris, the traditions of England require adherence to the predominantly white rule on court, so Pierce's little black dress was replaced by a little white number, and she proceded to lose with as much

éian as she could muster. The crowd was not to be fooled. Pierce has managed to bank \$2 million in her sevenyear career and has built her reputation on one grand slam tournament success, the Australian Open in 1995. Since then she has won only one title. She is the most frustrating of players to watch and to play. Her ability to hit the most outrageous winners is matched only by her ability to make the most basic mistakes. and her habit of using every

second allowable within the rules to slow down the play has infuriated more than one

Yesterday not even she could slow down Spirles, of Romania. The first set whistled past Pierce in 19 minutes, and after eight games she had won a meagre seven points. Less than enthralled with the tennis, the crowd was trying a spot of mental arithmetic to keep themselves awake. Spirlea, it transpired, was

winning one game every three minutes, the same amount of time that it was taking Pierce to win a point.

Pierce woke up to her predicament in the second set and pulled out a few good services to win her first game after 27 minutes. This appeared to confuse Spirlea. She was unable to get close to Pierce's service for the rest of the set and even appeared to try to match her error for error. In this department, though, Pierce was far superior and, broken twice to go 4-1 down in the third set, it was only a matter of time before Spirlea ended the misery.

Pierce was surprisingly upbeat afterwards. No. this had not been a setback before Wimbledon. Yes. she thought that she had played some good points, and yes, she thought that playing on grass could be good for her game.

"This is my first match on grass since last year and it takes a little while to get used to moving around on the court," she said. "I'm going to keep practising on grass because the more you practise the better you get." Which does not really explain why she went back to California after the French Open to practise on Astroturf.

Pierce was not the only seed to suffer. Kimiko Date, the No 8 seed from Japan, was beaten 6-4, 2-6, 6-2 by Lori McNeil, of the United States, the Eastbourne champion in 1992. The rest of the seeds were enjoying their week by the sea. Mary Joe Fernandez conceded just two games to Marianne Werdel Witmeyer, while Lindsay Davenport cruised past Gigi Fernandez 6-3, 6-1. Fernandez was struggling with a thigh strain and immediately scratched from the doubles.

Clare Wood, the sole British representative, was beaten 6-4, 6-3 by Ai Sugiyama, from Japan. Wood saved three match points, but it was asking too much to beat a player ranked 160 places above her.

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Peter Davalle

### RADIO 1

PM Stereo 6.30am Chris Evans 9.00 Smon Mayo 12.00 Lisa l'Anson, incl at 12.30-12.45pm Newsbeat 2.00 Nrdsy Campbell 4.00 Mark Goodier, incl at 5.30-5.45 Newsbeat 7.00 Music Live on Tour Evening Session on Campus in and Joynder 10.00 Mark Raddiffe 12.00 Wendy Lloyd 4.00am Clive Warren

### RADIO 2

FM Stereo 6.00am Sarah Kennedy 7.30 Wake Up to Wogan 9.30 Ken Bruce 7.30 Wake Up to Wogan 9.30 Ken Bruce 11.30 Derns Tuchy 1.30pm Debbie Thrower 3.00 Ed Stewart 5.05 John Dunn 7.00 Jkm Lloyd with Folk on 2 8.00 Folk Club (2/4) 8.30 Singing Families of Ireland (4/5) 9.00 Squeezing Round the World (1/5) 9.30 Nigel Ogden 10.30 Vir Lumsden 12.05am Steve Madden 3.00

### RADIO 5 LIVE

E.00am Morning Reports 6.00 The Breakfast Programme, incl 6.55, 7.55 Racing preview 8.35 The Magazine with Diana Madill, and 10.35 Euronews 12.00 Midday with Mair, incl at 12.35 pm Moneycheck 2.05 Ruscoe On Five 4.05 Euro 96: Croatia v Portugal; Turkey v Denmark 6.30 News Estra, and 6.50 Sports Bulletin 7.05 Euro 96: Italy v Germany: Russia v Czech Republic 9.35 Sporting Partnerships. Dr David Lewis explores the psychology between Steve Smith and his coach Mike Holmes 10.05 News Talk, with Jeremy Vine and guests 11.00 Night Extra, with Valene Sanderson 12.05em. After Houre 2.05 Up All Night, with Rhod Sharp

TALK RADIO 6.30em Paul Ross 10.00 Scott Chis-Tommy Boyd 5.00 Peter Deeley 7.00 Sports Zone 10,00 James Whale 1.00am ian Colins

# WORLD SERVICE

All times in BST. 5.00em Newsdesk 5.30 Europe Today 6.00 Newsday 6.30 Europe Today 7.00 News 7.15 The World Today 7.30 Megamix 8.00 News 8.15 Off the Shelf 8.30 Descuery 9.00 News in German 9.15 Concert Half 10.00 News 10.05 Business 10.15 Andy Kershaw 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 Newsdesk 11.30 BBC English 11.45 OB the Shelf 12.00 Newsdesk 12.30pm Thirty-Minute Drama 1.00 News in German 1.30 Composer of the Month 2.00 Newshour 3.00 News 4.05 Sports Roundup 4.15 BBC English 4.30 News in German 5.00 Europe Today 5.30 Floundup 4.15 BBC English 4.30 News in German 5.00 Europe Today 5.30 Business 5.45 Britain Today 6.00 News 6.10 World Today 6.25 Science View 6.30 News in German 7.00 Newsdesk 7.30 Discovery 8.00 Newsbury 9.00 News 5.00 News 5.00 News 5.00 News 10.05 Business 10.15 Britain Today 10.30 Meridian (On Screen) 11.00 Newsdesk 11.30 World Today 11.45 Sport 12.00 News 12.10am Science View 12.15 Country Style 12.30 Multitrack X Press 1.00 Newsdesk 1.30 From Our Own Correspondent 1.45 Britain Today 2.00 Newsdesk 2.30 Outlook 2.55 Word of Faith 3.00 Newsday 3.30 Meridian 4.00 Faith 3.00 Newsday 3.30 Meridian 4.00 News 4.15 Sport 4.30 Europe Today

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### CLASSIC FM

4.00am Mark Griffiths 6.00 Mile Flead 9,00 Henry Kelly 12,00 Susannah Smons 2,00pm Concerto 3,00 Jame Crick 6,00 Newsnight 6,30 Sonata 7,00 Gardening Forum (r) 8,00 Evering Concert 10,00 Nick Balley 1,00asa Mel

# VIRGIN RADIO

6,00am Russ 'n' Jono 9,00 Richard Sinner 12,00 Graham Dene 4,00pm Nicky Home 7,30 Paul Coyte 19,00 Mark Forrest 2,00 Robin Banks

6.00cm On Air. Presented by Penny Gore. Includes Bernstein (Symphonic Dances from West Side Story); Corrette (Concerto comique No 25, Les Sauvages et la Furstenberg); Barber (Summer Music); McCunn (Overture: The Land of the Mountain and the Flood); Granados (Violin Sonata)

Brahms (Two Motets, Op 29, Es ist das Heil uns kommen her; Schaffe in mir Gott) Suste in Emmor, BWV 996) Koechin (Douglas Fairbank Lilian Harvey; Greta Garbo, Seven Stars' Symphony); Beethoven (Plano Sonata in

C. Op 2 Na 3) Mary Miller. Includes Graham Fitkin (Loud for six pianos); excerpts); Bach (Concerto in the Italian Style, BWV 971); Stravinsky (Ballet: Jeu de Stravinsky (Ballet Jeu de cartes) 11.10 Artist of the Week: Pablo Casals, cello. With Sandor Vegh and Sandor Zoldy, violin, Georges

Januer, viola, and Paul Szabo, cello. Schubert (String Quintet in C, 1956) 12.00 Composers of the Week: Dupré and Durufié 1.00pm Concert Hall. Live from the Wommer Hall in Joseph the Wigmore Hall in London Alexander Baillie, cello, Kathryn Stott, piano. Schubert (Sonata in A minor, D821,

Arpeggione); Bridge (Cello Sonata in D minor) Midweek Choice. See

# RADIO 3

5.00 The Music Machine, Tommy Pearson visits the Bhavan Institute for Indian Art and restature for motion Art and Culture in London 5.15 In Tune. Presented by Anthony Burton, Includes Britten (Hymn to St Cellie); Mozart (Pisno Sonata in D, K284); Martinu (Oboe Concepts)

under Grant Liewellyn, With John Lill, pieno. Alun Hoddinott (Lanteme des morts); Schumann (Piano Concerto in A minor); Beethoven (Symphony No 3 in E flat, Eroics)

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Keth Puddy, clarinet, Hugh
Bean, violin, Lionel Handy,
cello, Shelagh Sutherland,
piano. Hindemith (Quartet)
10.00 Voices. David Attenborough
tallies to lain Burnside about
the sense to Black to feten for the sungs he likes to listen to

on his travels

10.45 Night Waves. Richard Coles discusses the values of international photojourcalism. Plus a first-night review of The invisible Women by Paul Godfrey

11.30 Composer of the Week: Weber (r) 12.30em Jazz Hotes. Sieve Voce explores the baritone

exportes the demone saxophone with Alen and John Barries 1.90 Through the Night, with Donald Macleod, includes 1.00 Purcell, Locks, Corali-and Locatelli 2.30 Schubert 3.30 Webern, Butterley, Radulescu and Baethoven 5.00 Sequence

### RUGBY UNION

# Scotland scrape home

RICHIE DIXON, the Scotland coach, admitted that his side had plenty of work to do before the second international against New Zealand on Saturday after the 35-31 win over Bay of Plenty in Rotorua yesterday.

Our commitment was good to start with, but we allowed them to dictate the middle part of the game," Dixon said. Scotland entered the final quarter trailing 31-22 before a

their scrum half, turned the tide in their favour.

☐ Wales recorded their third victory in Australia by beating Victoria 42-9 in Melbourne. They now move to Sydney for the second international on Saturday with a concern over Paul Arnold, their lock. "He has injured his lower back and will have an X-ray as soon as possible," Kevin Bowring, the sed. We will never criticise Mr

WORD-WATCHING

Answers from page 45 MEROPS' SON

(b) Someone who thinks he can set the world to rights, but cannot. Agitators, demagogues, etc., are sons of Merops. The allusion is to Phaeton, a reputed son of Merops (the dusky king of Ethiopia) who thought he could drive the car of Phoebus (the Sun). He was wrong. In the attempt, he nearly caused the

(c) At one time in Scotland and the north of England a man who ill-treated his wife (or sometimes a hen-pecked busband) was made to ride the stang, ie, to sit on a stang (Old English staeng a

HARO (a) Clameur de haro. To cry out haro to anyone (haro being in Old French an exclamation or call for help). This cry is an ancient practice in the Channel Islands, usually as a form of protest against trespass, which must then cease until the matter is settled in court. It dates from the time of the first Duke of Normandy.

JEDDART JUSTICE (c) Or Jedburgh, or Jedwood Justice. Putting a person to death and trying him afterwards. Toponym from Jedburgh, the Scottish Border town where Mosstroopers were given this kind of treatment. The same as Cupar Justice and Abingdon Law.

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE I, Nxc4! and the black queen is lost, as I, . . . Qb4; 2, Nxd5 is hopeless.

# Outnitwitted by strike of genius lost. Occasionally they are

r Paul Gascoigne an apology. A short while ago, this newspaper suggested that Mr Gascoigne was a fool, an idiot, an irresponsible boozer and a person guilty of conduct inappropriate to a professional athlete. We now accept that Mr Gascoigne is, in fact, a genius, the saviour of football. and a person who enriches the life of the nation. We apologise for any distress that this misunderstanding has cau-

Gascoigne again. Until the next time, of course. Perhaps you think that it is inconsistent to call Gascoigne a nitwit one week and a genius the next. So it is: but the inconsistency is not in the newspaper but in Gas-

Or in all of sport Ask Michael Atherton, the England cricket captain. He was a man of wonder after his 185 not out in South Africa; a few weeks later, he was caricatured as Cap'n Grumpy. Can we possibly be talking about the same man? Of course we are, and there is not even a

contradiction involved. The England football camp has claimed that the press made far too much of the Affair of Gazza's Party" — I mean, let's get the whole thing in perspective, chaps, it was just a few lads going slightly over the top.

However, I have not heard

any complaints that the press

coigne's goal. Terry Venables, the England coach, has not said: "Let's get the whole thing in perspective, chaps, just a lad kicking a bladder between two sticks.

Instead, it is all the press the press, my dear, you do not understand just how frightful the press are. The fact of the matter is that a professional athlete moaning about publicity is rather like a beautiful woman complaining about the inconveniences that she suffers from people who fall in love with her.

Nobody goes into professional sport blind to the notion of fame. Fame means being talked about, being recognised, being on television and in the newspapers. It is not a commodity that you get on your own terms. Fame is not just about being called a genius, any more than marriage is just about tumbling in

the hay. Most footballers cannot accept this simple truth — "It is not fair, this bloke keeps picking on me, trying to stop me scoring goals for my country."

is his job. "Another thing. This other bloke keeps writing about me." Yes, some members of the press are unfair. So are some defenders, who kick people who have aspirations to genius. Clogging defend- power cables or simply get

Mr Gascoigne, he is a

defender, he is a marker, that

SIMON BARNES



Midweek View

ers, diving forwards, blinking referees, inconsistent managers, egomaniacal chairmen, hypercritical journalists: these, for a footballer, are part of life's rich pattern. There are, however, compensations: such as winning and being called a genius and being adored and being paid a lot.

Athletes blame the media as farmers blame the weather for everything, with no regard for consistency, still less logic, and while making pots and pots of money. It is all about the need for a visible enemy. Now it happens that racing pigeons - this will all make a sense in a minute, i promise regularly go missing. A thousand things can happen during a race; mostly, they hit eaten by peregrine falcons. There is no fun in venting anger against the earth's magnetic field, and no point in campaigning against overhead cables. So, pigeon-fanciers direct their anger at falcons. They demand the right to shoot them. Nobody has a clue how much damage, if any, peregrines do to their

birds. The point is that falcons

represent a "Visible Enemy".
The press is the "Visible Enemy of all professional athletes. Blame the press, not yourself, if things go wrong, Or use the press, as Venables has, as a rallying point unite, close ranks against the common, the "Visible Enemy? Venables told the papers that they ought to "get behind the lads"; as if uncritical fawning admiration were the duty of all media, rather

than just television. The sporting press is preposterous. That is because the sporting press accurately reflects the world that it reports and comments on.

How do you make sense of it all? You cannot. Sport, itself, is as inconsistent as the English climate. Take all the credit going for being a genius, because you will be an idiot again before the world is much older. The next bad game lies in wait; that is the nature of sport. Enjoy the sunshine while you can; a fine spell does not mean that rain has been abolished.

5.55am Shipping Forecast (LW only) 6.00 News Briefing Incl Weather 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30 Today incl 7.25, 8.25 Sport 7.45 Thought for the Day 8.40 Yesterday in Parliament 8.58 Weather 9.00 News 9.05 Vice or Virtue 10.00 News; A Good Read (FM only). Edward Bishen and guests Morwenna Banks and Stewart Lee discuss three

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10.00 Daily Service (LW only)
10.15 This Sceptr'd Isle (LW only)
10.30 Woman's Hour
10.30 Gerdeners' Question Time from Birmingham (r)
12.00 News; You and Yours, with Lesley Birdforth

Lesley Riddoch 12.25pm Are You from the Bugle? by John Gradwell. A sit-com set in a local newspaper office. With Jeffrey Holland, Robert Beck, David

Ryall and Frances Jeater (5/6) 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World at One
1.40 The World at One
1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55
Shipping Forecast
2.00 News; Legal Affairs, by
Graham Harvey. A drama
series about the fives of three
solicitors in Warnerkship Mith

solicitors in Warwickshire With Julia St John, James Warnor, Meera Syal and Jamiila Massey (2/6)
2.45 Treasure Islands
3.00 News; The Afternoon Shift
4.00 News 4.05 Kaleidoscope.
Paul Gambacchi sees John

Schlesinger's film An Eye for an Eye, starring Kieler Sutherland as a serial killer 4.45 Short Story: The Other Girl.
John Mortimer's thespian mystery read by Jenny Agutter (r)

5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast 6.00 Stx O'Clock News 6.30 Brain of Britain 1996. Robert Robinson chairs the nationwide general knowledge quiz (r) 7.00 News 7.05 The An

7.20 Face the Facts. John Waite and his team of investigators follow up listeners' complaints 7.45 Your Place or Mine? Hard Keur, a 16-year-old Asian from Handsworth, Birmingham, has an ambition to be Britain's first female rap

star (7/8) Burning for Atlanta. See Choice 9.00 A Many-Faceted Thing. Joy Hendry investigates the debilitating effects of flashbacks and post-traumatic

stress (3/4) 9.30 Kaleidoscope (/) 9.59 Nealther 10.00 The World Tonight 10.45 Book at Bedtime: V

(3/7) (r) 11.00 Kathmandu or Bust. A

Michelle Chadwick, Sarah (2/6) 11.30 First Impressions (FM only):

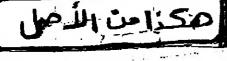
panel geme for impressionists, with Alistair McGowan and Steve Nation and this week's guests Sally III.

Grace and Steve Steen (r)

11.30 Today in Parliament (LW only) 12.00 News incl 12.27am Weather

12.30 The Late Book: Skin Tight, by Carl Hisasen (8/10) 12.48 by Carl Hisasen (8/10) 12. Shipping 1.00 As World Service

FREQUENCY GUIDE. RADIO 1. FM 97.6-99.8. RADIO 2. FM 88.0-90.2. RADIO 3. FM 90.2-92.4. RADIO 4. FM 92.4-94.6; LW 198; IMW 720. RADIO 5 LIVE. MW 693, 909. WORLD SERVICE. MW 648; LW 198 (12.45-5.55cm). CLASSIC FM. FM 100-102. VIRGIN RADIO. FM 105.8; MW 1197, 1215. TALK RADIO UK. MW 1053, 1089. Television and radio listings compiled by Peter Dear, Ian Hughes, Rosemary Smith, Susan Thomson and Jane Gregory



# Tales of the poisonous and the paranormal

people for aracumphobia, apparently one to open up the magination of the scared person and plant there an image: of a spider looking silly and harmless, in eight big gumboots and a bobble hat. A similar kindness was performed for snake-o-phobes last night by Wildlife on One (BBCI). in which we learnt of the huge, deadly tiger snake which slithers across the gritty wastes of Chappell Island in Australia, flicks its tongue at the camera, and still looks a complete moron at the same time.

What a life this poor creature has. The tiger snake somehow got stuck on Chappell Island aeons ago when the waters rose, and unfortunately forgot to bring a picnic. Now it roams this moonscape on its belly for II months of the year moaning with increasing disbelief, "What do you have to do

to get served in this place?" and "Has anyone invented the ladder yet?" and "Where are the chicks?" Evolution has dealt the tiger snake a hand like a foot, because on Chappell Island there is literally nothing to eat. Just once a year mutton birds (shearwaters) arrive to nest in the ground and produce chicks. At which point the snakes have their one annual chance of a square meal - and even that turns out to be oblong and flappy. As usual, Wildlife on One

compensated for the essential tenminute nature of this story by inserting loss of life-or-death drama, presumably shot in a studio. Snake slithers down hole (cek!). adult bird flutters in alarm, snake tongue flicks, bird feathers fly uff. oof, peck, twirl, dart, squawk, and silence. Meanwhile, dumpy hapless chick (attired in the usual fuzzy felt) blinks uncertainly, sensing its doom. And sure enough, snake re-emerges from hole, with big grey fluffy thing clamped in its jaws, resembling Hoover bag turned inside out.

This moment represents triumph, don't forget. It is the highlight of the tiger snake's year. How could anyone still be afraid of snakes after watching this? Just to torture the poor chumps further. evolution has decreed that only chicks of a certain size are edible. Thus sometimes the snake barges in, kills the mummy, and finds a hugely fat fluff-half looking right back at him, saying "What?

clittling poisonous vermin B with sarcasm may be the favoured tool of hypnotists, then. But if you want to belittle a hypnotist, the sareastic Catherine Bennett of The Guardian will do it for you. To put it nicely, she is not someone you would wish to meet down a dark hole. Her new latenight series on BBC2, Strange Days, began last night with a cool, REVIEW



supercilious round-up of popular superstition - astrology, feng shui, and Strange But True? on the telly - which was pitiless about other people's credulity. Feng shui (which she pronounced, with startling linguistic confidence, "fong shway" involves paying suitcases of money to an oriental shaman, who tells you how to line up your furniture. Luckily the sofa still goes in front

of the telly, and not facing the ironing board. Bennett interviewed a mild-mannered man who had placed a cactus in the window, to ward off burglars.

Is this the age of anti-reason? If so, why? Bennett interviewed Nicholas Humphrey, the author of the excellent Soul Searching, who endorsed her opinion that newspapers, books and television are irresponsible in reporting the paranormal as if it were harmless fun. Meanwhile, the gullible populace reaches out for the irrational. It reads its stars in the paper, searches the skies for UFOs, and buys lottery tickets on the insane grounds that "It could be me!"

In the most jaw-dropping section of Strange Days, Bennett conducted a brilliant experiment, hanging around a post office and offering to swap her lottery ticket with other people's. They all giggled and said no. Yet the chance of her lottery ticker winning was

million to one. "And we are all," she added, "five times more likely to be killed by lightning."

rearching for an explanation or all this retro-bunkum, Bennett explored Humphrey's contention that it's a backlash against science. When science can explain so much. people want to be able to say, "Well, you can't explain this, can you?" They want to wear X Files beanie hats, and waggle their eyebrows, and whisper "The truth is out there". But seeing those people clutching their lottery tickets and refusing to let go, a more humane explanation suggested itself: people want desperately to feel important, that's all.

Meanwhile, Murder One (BBC2) reached its sixteenth episode, in which Julie Costello married Richard Cross, much to the dismay of Teddy, Justine and

Arnold. If these names still mean nothing, it's not too late; honestly. the plot looks more complicated than it is. Newcomers to Murder One need only appreciate that the whole cast have been taught to rasp and whisper, presumably to subvert the old Perry Mason genre of shouting in court. The words "throat" and "spray" spring to mind uninvited.

Meanwhile, on the other end of the noise scale, in Cardiac Arrest (BBCI) the whole hospital went bananas, with the ghastly Dr Liz (Caroline Trowbridge) succumb-ing to a full-belt screaming nervous breakdown, while similarly unattractive Adrian (Jack Fortune) wailed over the lifeless body of his own son. Blimey, Relationships crashed, children died, doctors went mad. cacophony reigned. Clearly a Saturn-Pluto conjunction was at work. Any rational person could have told them that.

6,00am Business Breakfast (17722) 7.00 BBC Breakfast News (Ceelax) (48093) News Extra (Ceelax)

9.20 Morning Surgery (e) (1950432) 9.50 FILM: Life for Ruth (1966) with Michael

Craig, Janet Munro and Patrick McGooghan. An agnostic doctor presses for manslaughter charges to be made against a religious man who prevented him giving the go-ahead to an operation which would have saved his daughter's (56144890)

11.30 My Favourite Nosh (5258) 12.00 News (Ceefax) regional news and

weather (7040242) 12.05pm Est Your Words. Food quiz chared by Loyd Grossman (s) (6287221) 12.35 Going for Gold (s) (4828838)

1.00 News (Ceelax) and weather (41180) 1.30 Regional News and weather (39656371) 1:35 Neighbours (Ceelax) (s) (35737616) 1.55 Royal Ascot 1996. Julian Wilson and

Clare Balding introduce coverage of today's races. Linda Berry casts her eye over the fashion scene (39349762) 4.40 Parrots - Look Who's Talking. Perrots, ably assisted by Tony Robinson, tell their own story. Includes magnificent macewe teaming to crack hard nuts, lorikeets with rainbow plumage and flocks of African grey parrots seeking minerals in the shadow of forest elephants. In captivity, birds reveal the

5.35 Neighbours(r) (Ceefax) (s) (178548) 6.00 News (Ceelax) and weather (432)

6.30 Regional News magazines (684) 7.00 Euro 96 Live. Live coverage of Italy v Germany at Old Trafford. Plus highlights of the two concluding games in Group D played earlier today between Crostils and Portugal and Turkey and Denmark

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10,10 Bad Boys; The Bonny Bonny Banks. A hoard of stolen money, hidden on an Island in Loch Lomond, gives Wayne and Fraser a crack at the big time. Fraser's wife thinks she is going on a romantic weekend to boost her flagging love life. With Karl Howman and Freddle Boardley

elax) (s) (553635) 11.00 FILM: LA Story (1991) with Steve Mertin and Victoria Tennant. A television weatherman who spices his reports with wacky humour finds his outlook distinctly gloomy on the career and romantic fronts until he gets supernatural guidance Directed by Mick Jackson (418105)

12.35cm Royal Ascot 1996. The pick of the races and tashions on the second day of Royal Ascot (8561010)

12.55 FILM: American Hot Wax (1978) with Tim McIntire and Fran Drescher. The story of the controversial 1950s disc lockey Alan Freed, and his attempts to gein acceptance for rock 'n' roll Directed by Floyd Mutrux (5636858) 2.25am Weather (1577643)

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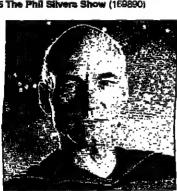
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12.30 Working Lunch (34703) 1.00 Melvin Maureen's Music-a-Grams (45703432)

1.15 The Time of Your Life (31112819) 1.35 A-Z of Food (72589242) 1.45 Wear ft Well (72672906) 2.00 Year of the Pier: Eastbourne Pier (73596513) 2.10 International Women's Cricket (8213109) 3.00 News (Ceelax) regional news and weather (4464971)

3.05 Westminster (4847364) 3.55 News (4831190) 4.00 Tex Avery (6963155) 4.05 Casper Classics (6069906) 4.15 Johny Briggs (5738093) 4.30 Rugrats (109) 5.00 Newsround (Ceelax) (4000249) 5.10 Blue Peter (Ceelax) (s) (1712884)

5.35 The Phil Silvers Show (169890)



Patrick Stewart as Picard (6.00pm)

6.00 Star Trek: The Next General leature-length apisode of this long-running series (for now). All Good Things. Captain Picard (Patrick Stewart) finds himself travelling between the past, present and luture (30161) 7.30 BBC Design Awards. Janet Street-

Porter presents the contenders in the graphics category (3/3) (Ceetax) (s) (838) 8.00 Wildlife on Two: Babies Beware. From the ancient city of Jodhpur in Rajasthan, India, David Attenborough narrates footage of the baby Hanuman langur monkeys who lace a dangerous struggle to survive (r) (Ceelax) (s) (3161)

8.30 Today's the Day — the Final. The final of the quiz about what happened on this day in years gone by. Presented by Martyn Lewis (6068)

9.00 Secrets of Lost Empires: The Inces (Ceelax) (s) (507155)

9,50 CHRICE Postcards from the Country: Norfolk Broads -Wetland Paradise (Ceelax) (s) (498109) 0,30 Newsnight (Ceelax) (242277)

11.15 Murder One: Chapter Sixteen, Legal drama following a high profile case both inside and outside the courtroom. With Daniel Benzalı (r) (Ceelax) (s) (754242) 12.00 The Midnight Hour with Andrew Netl. Political chat show (25662)

12.30em-6.00 The Learning Zone

CHOICE

**Absolutely Animals** 

Channel 4, 8.30pm The presenters are new, Wendy Turner (sister of Anthea) and a vet, Mark Evans, but the animal magazine starts a second series in the same troubleshooting mode. Thanks to the recent but and rabies scare, one of the reports has become topical. In a town in Mexico vampire buts have started attacking people. The bais come out at night and survive on a diet of blood. In Latin America as a whole since 1992, 81 people have died from rabies after being bitten by the bats. But, as Turner reports, the Mexican health authorities are hitting back with an unusual type of cuil. Evans gets a trip to Florida, to look at how animals are exploited for the tourist trade, and an animal behaviourist is called in to advise a poodle owner back home on how to deal with her truculent pet.

Secrets of Lost Empires: The Incas BBC2. 9.00pm

We are in the Peruvian Andes where 500 years ago the Incas were building the largest and richest empire in the pre-industrial world. How did they do it? How did they manage to get huge blocks of stone to fit together without mortar and so accurately than not even a razorblade can be inserted between them? The Incas did not have the benefit of chisels to cut the stone, or wheels to transport them. Come to that, they could not read. And how did they manage to string a bridge across a high gorge using only dry grasses for rope? In a mixture of game show and historical demonstration. expens are challenged to come up with the answers. An American professor reckons that stone might have been softened with concentrated sunlight. A stonemason says he is crazy. Such disagreements further enliven an already enticing programme.

Postcards From the Country: Norfolk Broads -- Wetland Paradise BBC2, 9.50pm

It is difficult to imagine this now, but the area. The peat mines had to be abandoned when the sea level rose and flooded the diggings. That was seven centuries ago. More recently the Broads became a haver for fishermen, reed cutters and messers-about in boats. Today they are turned over to leisure use. Whether the changes have been for better or worse is the unstated theme of Richard Mabey's portrait. Old-timers wax nostalgic about the black-sailed wherries and the windmills and water still clean enough to swim in. They regret the passing of the bittern and even of the coypu, officially a pest though remembered with affection. But if the big pleasure cruisers have come to stay, and pollution has killed the fish, nobody can spoil the superb Norfolk skies.

The Trials of O.J.Oyston Channel 4. 11.00pm

This profile of Owen Oyston was largely filmed before the colourful northern millionaire was sentenced to six years imprisonment for raping a teenage mode girl Interviewed at length, Oyston is in buoyani mood, admining to a healthy sexual appenie but describing rape as an "horrific crime" of which he has never been guilty. Since the film goes no further than the evidence given in court, the casual viewer will find it hard to dispute the jury's verdict. The other strand of the programme is Oyston's claim of a right-wing conspiracy against him because of his support for the Labour Party. A northern journalist who has been compiling a dossier on Oyston for eight years suggests the conspiracy has some substance. Disappointingly, the matter is not Peter Waymark taken further.

6.00am GMTV (7783277) 9.25 Supermarket

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10.35 This Morning (77825797) 12.20pm Regional News (Teletext) (7046426) 12.30 News and weather (Teletext) (4814635) 12.55 Shortland Street (s) (4726426) 1.25 Coronation Street (r) (Teletext)

(7381093) 2.00 FILM: Justin Case (1988) with George Carlion, Molly Hagen and Douglas Sill. A bizarre detective cornecy from the Disney stable about the ghost of a dead private detective tearning up with an out of work by Blake Edwards (s) (7566600)

3.20 News (Teletext) (4544161) 3.25 Regional News (Teletext) (4543432) 3.30 Alphabet Castle (r) (s) (6826277) 3.40 Wizadora (r) (s) (3287618) 3.50 Britt Alleroff's Magic Adventures of Muntile (r) (s) (3103600) 4.00 Garfield and

Friends (r) (564068) 4.15 Euro 96 - Live: Croatia v Portugal from the City Ground, Nottingham. Plus highlights of Turkey v Denmark (47258426)

6.30 News and weather (Teletext) (110345) 6.45 HTV News (Teletext) (267628)

7.00 Middes Touch: Desert Island. Host Bradley Walsh meets five more contestants hoping to win the bar of gold (Teletext) (s) (1567)



Johnny Briggs as Mike (7.30pm)

7,30 Coronation Street. (Teletext) (364) 8.00 A Touch of Frost. A wages snatch at a local factory leads to murder, but the owner's life is threatened when he identifies a suspect. With David Jason (r)

(Telelext) (s) (6345) 10.00 News and weather (Telelext) (61677) 10.30 Regional News (Telelext) (450819)

10.40 Euro 96 - Highlights. Jim Rosentha presents highlights of Russia v Czech Republic and Italy v Germany, matches which will complete the line-up for the quarter-finals (435890)

11,40 Special Report: Past Lives. The stories of people who believe they have been reincarnated (s) (413548)

12.10 FILM: The People across the Lake (1988) with Valene Harper, Gerald McRaney and Barry Corbin. A family move from the busy city to what they think will be the peaceful countryside. But, they soon discover the village is concealing a deadly secret. Directed by Arthur Allar Seidelman (s) (344759)

2.05 God's Gift (9474865) 3.00 Dear Nick (68310) 4.00 Bushell on the Box (r) (s) (45169) 4.30 The Time . . . the Place (r) (s) (6572914) 5.00 Cover Story (s)

5.30 Morning News (20117)

6.45pm-7.00 Wales Tonight (267628)

WESTCOUNTRY As HTV West except:

12.25-12.30 My Story (7127345) 12.55 Coronation Street (4726426) 1.25 Cross Wits. Cryptic crossword game show presented by Tom O'Connor (59741616)

1.55 Home and Away Special. Another chance to see the specially complied episode where Sophie goes into tabour and then gives birth to Tamera, only for the child's tather to be killed in a hit-andrun accident (51823141)

2.25 Brief Encounters (11515138) 2.55-3.20 A Country Practice (9389451) 6.45-7.00 Westcountry News (267628) 11.40 Short Story Cinema (413548)

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5.00am Freescreen (35136)

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2.15 FILM: Here Comes Mr Jordan (1941, b/w). Fantasy comedy starring Robert Montgomery and Evelyn Keys, Directed by Alexander Hall (194890)

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7.55 The Slot (697884) 8.00 Brookside. (Teletext) (s) (5529)



Wendy Turner (8.30pm)

Absolutely Animals. Wendy
Turner presents stories from
the animal world (Teletad) (a) (7364)
9,00 Dispatches. An expose of sharp practice
among some smaller insolvency
practioners. (Teletad) (954529)

9.45 Four Mations: Great British Animation. Erica Russell's Feet of Song is a combination of graphics, solund and animation based on African, dence ritythms; Umbabarauma, by Susan Young, is a colourful interpretation of the music track by Jorge Ben encompassing the hopes and dreams of an assisting

10.00 American Gothle. Shariff Buck calls in a few favours. (Teletext) (s) (6722) 11.00 The Trials of O.J. Oyston (Teletext) (2548)

11.30 Brokel: False Economy — the Debate.
Will Hutton is questioned on the radical from its current malaise (752635)

1.05am Geldof Goes Goondiwindi. Bob Geldof and his band, the Happy Clusters, entertain at the Bachelor and Spinster Ball in the Australian Outback town of Goondiwindi (r) (s) (1761952)

2.05 FILM: Mission to Moscow (1943, b/w) starring Welter Huston. A controversial, Second World War pro-Soviet propaganda biopic of Joseph E. Davies, the former American ambassador in Moscow. Directed by Michael Curtiz.

For more comprehensive lings of satellite and cable channels, see the Vision sup-Plement, published Saturday

7.00em Under (31109) 9.00 Press Your Luck (5624839) 9.20 Love Connection (153684) 9.45 Oprah Wirthey (6269068) 10.40 Jeopardy (117971) 11.10 Sally Jessy Rephael (4853063) 12.00 Sightings 200777 \$1908) 12.30pm Murphy Brown (89277) 1.00 Hotel (77432) 2.00 Geraldo (55819) 1.00 Court TV (7906) 3.30 Oprah Wintrey (584180) 4.16 Undun (6229890) 5.00 584180 4.15 Undam (6229990) 5.00 Dunnum Leap (8259) 6.00 Space Precinct 91089 7.00 LAPP (9887) 7.30 M\*A\*S\*H 2513) 8.00 Space Above and Beyond (14987) 8.00 The Curer Limits (27451) 10.00 Charter Levi 22000 13 in Bert-10.00 Chartum Leap (37838) 11.00 High-ander (71345) 12.00 Late Show with David ellarman (2490049) 12.45am Miracle

SKY NEWS

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12.00 Easy Living (1937) (73364) 2.00 pm The Mountain (1956) (93432) 4.00 Buona Sera, Mrs Campbell (1968) (5722) 6.00 The War Wagon (1967) (17068) 8.00 My Stepmother is an Alien (1968) (12513) 10.00 Operation Daybreak (1975) (63832722) 12.05 am Theatre of Blood (1973) (632556) 1.50-4.05 The Train (1964) (98917204) THE MOVIE CHANNEL

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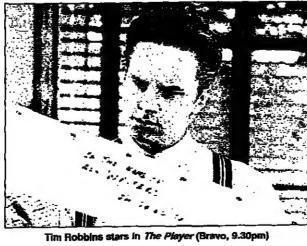
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SKY SOAP 7,00em Guiding Light (4227819) 7.55 As the World Turns (1052797) 8.50 Peyton Place (2223819) 9.20 Days of Our Lives (7978432) 10.10-11.00 Another World

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AT WIMBLEDON

# Shearer leads rout of Holland

By ROB HUGHES

POOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

WITH a display of pace, passion and power, England trounced Holland at Wembley last night, earning them the right to play Spain in the stadium in the quarter-finals. Holland survive in the European championship thanks to the goal scored late in the second half by Kluivert, which denied Scotland a place in the

last eight.
Paul Gascoigne sauntered through the first half, awoke to tease the Dutchmen in the second, and Shearer and Sheringham both capitalised



th a brace of goals. When gland took the lead midway had completely brok where the orange shirt among English white the efforts of the organisers and the law to separate hu-

England had lurked deep, following defensive instincts, with Gascoigne again, and now also Sheringham! often hanging back, one knows not with what purpose, parrolling as deep as ince, the allotted anchor in front of the back four. Yet it was Sheringham. creating out of this repose,



Shearer, left, is kept at arm's length by Bogarde, the Holland defender, in the decisive Group A encounter at Wembley last night. Photograph: Ian Stewart

released it as if out of a catapult into the inside-right channel for McManaman. The Liverpool forward, at last liberated on the side of the field that suits him, advanced

at pace towards the penalty area. He showed the patience who sparked Fingland's opening goal. Hallway in English territory he controlled the ball, held it at his feet, turned and

er. Three goals in three games for Shearer, his 21-month Eng-

Ince, revealing a trick of great virtuosity, used his instep to flick the ball on, and induced from Blind, the Holland captain, a late trip which brought both a penalty and a yellow card. Up strode Shearer, now confident of scoring for England again, and with unremitting force plus fine accuracy his penalty defeated the long stretch of Van Der breakaways.

land drought now a distant Much had been made of the supposed division in the Holland camp after the expulsion last week of Davids by the coach, Guus Hiddink. There was allegedly intolerance between Ronald De Boer and Blind and the young Surinam-

Sar, the lean Dutch goalkeep-

ese players, Seedorf and Davids. The truth, as the Dutch honestly admit, is that it is more of a generation gap; and to speak of racism in the country that produced Rijkaard and Gullit is disrep-

utable nonsense. Whatever, the goal from

England last night obliged the Dutch to integrate, to sweat blood and tears for one another. Early on, Dutch fluidity had threatened England, thrown them back on their heels, and with Anderton. among others, augmenting the defence. England were reduced to hopeful

Yet, in the seventh minute, an Anderton corner found Shearer, surprisingly free of his marker, Bogarde, and free also to take aim at goal from 14 yards. His right-foot shot was true, but Witschge deflected the ball with his heel on the goalline. Corners were dangerous for England, too, as twice Winter rose at the near post to balls aimed in by

Hoekstra, only to head over the crossbar. Bergkamp, for the most part matched by the pace of Southgate, should have hit the target from Reiziger's right-wing cross, but missed. Moments later Bergkamp anticipated a poor back-header from Southgate, cruised by him, but, one against one, Seaman was superlative. He came off his line and stood tall, forcing Bergkarop to shoot, and then he jackknifed to the ground to

Just before half-time Engbroke again. A McManaman throw-in was hooked on by Gascoigne and Sheringham, the goal at his mercy, sliced it across the face of goal, bouncing beyond the far post. The bad news for England came with a yellow card for Ince, for his second crude and spiteful tackle, which rules him out of the

quarter-final. Gascoigne was saving his irrepressible self. But from a corner six minutes into the second half, he delivered an accurate ball, swinging high towards the penalty spot, and there Sheringham, producing a tremendous leap above Winter and turning in mid-air, found the power with his beader to defeat Van der Sar, whose vision was probably

impaired by Seedorf. The lions were rampant, Holland were wilting, and the best night English football has defence and Kluivert, just on as a substitute, stole three known for many years was developing. It took another six yards off Pearce and struck a minutes, and another piece of Gascoigne inspiration, to in-

vent goal number three. He rolled the ball impudently away from Seedorf, turned and sprinted into the penalty area and, when McManaman returned the ball to him. Gascoigne had the power and the momentum to sweep away

Winter's challenge. When Gascoigne then laid the ball on a plate for Sheringham, the Tottenham man's mis-kick, an attempt at a shot, diverted the ball to a player who would not miss: Shearer, again with awesome force, drove the ball past Van

Another five minutes and, when Anderton struck a shot that deflected off Blind, the goalkeeper could only push it to Sheringham, who this time poached the fourth goal from

eight yards. The Dutch disarray was near complete, although in the 77th minute Bergkamp looped the ball over England's square

ENGLAND (4-4-1-1): D Seamen (Arsenal)
— G Neville (Manchester Unsted), A Adams
(Arsenal), G Southgate (Aston Wila), S
Pearce (Nottingham Forest) — S
McManensen (Liverpool), P Ince
(tratemazionale; sub: D Plas, Arsenal, 67), P
Gascoligne (Pangers), D Anderson (Totten-ham Hotspur; sub: R Fewler, Liverpool, 75)
— A Sheerer (Backburn Rovers; sub: N
Barmby, Middlesbrough, 75). we: G Grabher (Austria).

# Illingworth handed fine and reprimand by TCCB

RAYMOND Illingworth was considering his position as cricket selectors last night after he was fined £2,000 by the Test and County Cricket Board's (TCCB) committee. Illingworth was also reprimanded for disclos-ing confidential views in newspaper article in May first the committee judged to be "prejudicial" to the games interests, and instructed topa £500 costs.

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Had not it not been for what the TCCB described as Illingworth's "exceptional service", the fine would have been higher. Illingworth has 28 days to appeal and, at a press conference in his solicitor's office, he said that he would consider making one. He is not expected to do so until the completion of the second Test match against India

Illingworth's behalf by Dennis Silk, the chairman of the TCCB, the seven-man commit tee felt that a fine was appropriate. Illingworth had bene-fited from the serialisation of the book, One Man Commit tee, which detailed his account of his two years in office, notably the public falling on with Devon Malcolm in South Africa last winter

Alan Herd, repres Illingworth, drew the contee's attention to the fact that Malcolm had escaped without a fine when he was asked to account for his views, wh also appeared in The Dai ess. Illingworth, Here said, was unhappy with the TCCB's handling of the matte and wanted to put his side a

Illingworth, who store down as manager of a England team earlier this and relinquishes the chairmanship in September dispibed it as "a sad day". He has already vowed not to have anything more to do with the game and it must be doubthi

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season. Alec Stewart has the chance to revive his Test career as Nick Knight, the Warwickshine opener, has been ruled out of the match with India because of a fractured finger. Knight failed to come through a net and a spell of slipcatching practice yesterday.

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# McCoist finally makes his mark as Scotland go down fighting

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By KEVIN McCarra

Switzerland

ANGUISH found yet another way of insinuating itself into Scotland's experience last night. Until Holland's late goal against England they were set to advance to the quarter-finals on goal difference. With Kluivert's finish at Wembley, however, the Dutch rescued themselves by moving in front with a greater number of goals scored. For all their dejection, Scotland must, nonetheless, take pride in the enormous effort they made at

The game was a test of the imagination. It was not so much the creativity of skills that was being examined as the ability of the players to believe in the improbable. Scotland, in the early stages, proved more adept at this task and even before they had heard of the goal that gave England the lead over the Dutch their performance was full of conviction.

One man in Craig Brown's team was also driven by a personal ambition. For all his prolific ways with Rangers. McCoist had never scored in

for his country at the finals of a major tournament. His urgency, and that of the men who plied him with the ball, was to excite a passionate support but also to tantalise it.

Scotland had created opportunities at the start of the game and McCoist had squandered them. As the Swiss began to acquire some steadiness, though, Brown's side constituted an instant of individual inspiration for the collective effort that had preceded it.

The move, in the 36th minute, began neatly enough with McCoist heading the ball to McAllister and taking the return, but as he moved across

from goal. Realising that no opponent was approaching, the forward had the confidence to turn and thrash a drive past the goalkeeper. Only McCoist's enormous self-belief could have carried him through to such a moment for much that had gone

before was dispiriting.

The Swiss are suspected of being weak in the full-back positions and in the opening exchanges Scotland flooded play down the wings. After five minutes Collins delivered a corner from the right that Durie flicked on to McCoist. directly in front of the posts. It was a chance of inviting simplicity, but McCoist's shot was pushed on to the bar by Pascolo, the goalkeeper. Exasperatingly for Scotland, McCoist was finding it easy to

come by space but harder to locate a good finish. Seven minutes later McKinlay's deep cross was knocked down by Burley to McCoist but his shot rebounded off the goalkeeper.

Optimism about Scotland's chances had survived nonetheless, even in the midst of such frustrating episodes. Switzerland seemed to have little inclination to pursue victory and surrendered large

areas of the field, permitting Scotland's midfield to go about its work unhindered. There was no chance of Scotland's energy flagging in the second half, particularly

when the news came through of England's surge into a 40 lead over Holland. The players knew then that they needed only to remain in front of the Swiss, should the score at Wembley be unaltered.

The proximity of an unlikely triumph might have been inhibiting, but Scotland refused to be forced back into nervous defending. Instead, they judged that the best way to protect the imminent glory was to remain in the other half of the field. Not even the ecstatic emotions of their supporters, however, could protext them from the cruel news of a Dutch goal at Wembley.

SCOTLAND (5-3-2): A Goram (Rangers) —
C Burley (Chelsee), C Calderwood (Tottenham Hotspur), C Hendry (Blackburn
hovers), T Boyd (Celtic), T McKintey
(Celtic, sub: S Bookh, Abendeen, 60min) —
S McCall (Rangers), G McAllister (Leads
United), J Collins (Celtic) — G Durie
(Rangers), A McColts (Rangers, J Spencer, Chelsee, 83).
SWITZERBLAND (4-4-2): M Pascolo
(Servatie) — M Hottiger (Eventon), R Vega
(Grasshopper), S Henchoz (Hamburg), Y
Quertin Storr, A Comisetti, Grasshopper, 80) — J Vogel (Grasshopper, 80) — J Vogel (Grasshopper), C Storza
(Beyern Munich), M Koller (Grasshopper, S
Fournier, Stor, 45), C Borrwin (Son) — X
Türingilmaz (Grasshopper), F Chaputest
(Bonussia Dortmund; sub: R Wicky, Son,
45).